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# **Pound slips** 2 cents on oil fears

Worries over oil prices in the wake of the Nigerian coup hit the pound. It fell sharply against all leading currencies and bore the brunt of a fresh surge in the dollar, closing down 2.30 cents at \$1.4285 Page 13

### Dearer tea

Prices climbed by about 20 per cent at London's tea auction and the cost to the consumer is expected to rise because India has curbed tea exports Page 3

# Kremlin terms

Unless the West changes its position, there can be no hope of progress at the forthcoming Stockholm arms control conference. Pravda said in a hardline denunciation of Nato Page 5

'Life' man out

left jail on licence after serving 26 years of a life sentence for murdering his second wife. Shah dispute

Kenneth Barlow, Britain's sec-

The National Graphical Association should be sued for the £314,000 cost of policing Mr Eddie Shah's printing works, Cheshire County Council's Conservative leader said Page 2 Victim's gift

Mrs Janice Weston, the solicitor found murdered last September, was left more than £100,000 by a merchant banker a few years before she died

### Barre hits back M Raymond Barre, the former

French Prime Minister, hit back at a report which is highly critical of his role in the oildetecting sniffer aircraft scandal

# Talbot fighting

Car production at the Talbot plant at Poissy, near Paris, could not be resumed vesterday after fighting between strikers and other employees left six workers slightly injured Page 5

# **England fright**

A Fijian President's XI came within 18 runs of defeating an England XI in a one-day cricket

# match in Suva

Chappell to quit Greg Chappell, the former

Australia captain, announced his retirement from Test cricket Page 15 Leader page, 9
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# Tunis paralysed as tanks roll in and riots spread

President Habib Bourguiba of Tunisia yesterday declared a state of emergency and imposed a night curfew after food riots, in which at least 30 people are believed to have died, spread to

The Government had earlier ordered army units to take up strategic positions in Tunis. A pall of smoke hung over the city from fires started by rioters.

An Interior Ministry state-

irresponsible elements had started disturbances in some parts of the city. It asked parents to keep children off the streets. Under the state of emergency,

curiew was imposed from 6pm to 5am and gatherings of more than three persons in public places were prohibited. Security forces, including police, army and national guard units, were given authority to shoot if necessary to maintain Riot police using batons and

tear gas disperesed demonstrators on Habib Bourguiba the city's main are. diplomatic thoroughfare. sources said. Police fired warning shots in outlying areas of the city. In mid-afternoon, tanks rolled into the city centre. Rioters set fire to buses. cores of overturned cars and

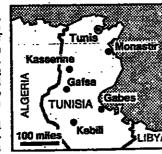
piles of old tyres. Police and roops fired lear gas in return. The city paralysed. Buses and Sunday.

In the provinces, the situ-

the streets and shots could be heard. In the town of Kef. 110 miles west of Tunis, near the Algerian border, rioters were reported to have set fire to the law courts and supermarkers.

law courts and supermarkets. In Sfax, Tunisia's second city. 155 miles south of the capital. violent clashes were reported to be continuing. Villages outside the main towns were also said

to be the scene of disturbances. The number of reported casualties increased. In southwestern Gafsa Province, sources said 19 people had been killed and many more injured. In



Kasserine, north of Galsa, and Gabes, seven more deaths were

The Government yesterday said four people had been killed and an unspecified number injured in disturbances in four towns after a 110 per cent increase in the price of bread, which was announced on

Zvogbo, who acted as the Zanu

(PF) spokesman at the Lancast-

er House conference. He adds

Mr Mubako's former justice

portfolio to his Department of

The reshuffle, the third since

independence, was announced

by Mr Mugabe at his official

residence. The Prime Minister

said the move had been forced

on him by financial circum-stances. "We just cannot afford

to do things as we have been

22 only one minister is

● Younger minister demoted: The former Industry and

Energy Minister, Mr. Simba

Makoni, at 33 the youngest minister, has suffered a sharp

demotion by being moved to Youth, Sport and Culture (AFP

been happy with the perform-ance of Mr Makoni's old

ministry, and was abolishing it.

Judge promoted, page

bringing its industry componen

Mr Mugabe said he had no

doing" he added.

local government.

The city paralysed, Buses and trains stopped running and motorists sped for safety through streets filled with tear through the streets filled with the streets filled Bourguiba's palace in Carthage. a suburg of Tunis. At the same ation was also said to be getting time, the President flew to his worse. In the port of Gaves, home town of Monastir to

The main opposition, the Socialist Democrats' Move-ment, deplored the violence but denounced the "brutal" reac-tion, saving many had fallen to the bullets of government A junior minister said mea-

sures to help poor Tunisians, hardest hit by the price rises for cereal products, would soon be implemented. The Government had begun talks with the powerful General Union of Tunisian Workers on how to help workers.

The press vesterday pub-lished no more than the official communique on the riots, but the Government-sponsored La Presse and L'Action, justified the decision to abolish the food subsidies, which were creating a chronic deficit.

 PARIS: Tunisia's Ambassador to France, Mr Hedi Mabrouk, yesterday denied that food price increases were the only cause of demonstrations said uncontrolled elements had taken advantage of the

• LONDON: British travel companies last night said they had no fears for their clients (a staff reporter writes). A spokesman for the Tunisian Travel Burcau, which has between 50 and 80 British holidaymakers in Tunisia, said: "We are quite happy with the situation at the moment. We are in constant touch with our hoteliers.

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# Mugabe demotes senior minister

From Stephen Taylor, Harare

Mr Mubako is a former Mr Robert Mugabe, Zimjournalist and taught law at the University of Southampton. There is no indication that his abwe's Prime Minister, vesterlay scaled down an overweight Cabinet: dismissing some appointment will lead to an members outright and deimmediate release of detainees. noting others. Another who gains in re-sponsibility is Mr Eddison

The most notable change was the removal of Dr Herbert Ushewokunze from the Ministry of Home Affairs, where he was widely criticized for arbitrary use of emergency powers. His replacement. Simbi Mubako, is a scholarly moder

Mr Mugabe also broadened the scope of his own responsibility, absorbing one ministry and appointing four new ministers of state. These have come from the six ministries which have been combined with others. Two other ministers are left without portfolio, while

Although the number of ministeries is reduced from 28 eight deputy ministers have Dr Ushewokunze, respondemoted to deputy minister. At sible for signing the orders under which hundreds of least one of the eight dismissed deputy ministers had been implicated in a corruption scandal. Mr Mugabe said others detainees are being held, has been appointed Minister of a restructured Department of may be appointed provincial Transport and Road Traffic. governors in a reorganization of

Mr Mugabe said of him: Whatever his shortcomings he has a brilliant brain". The fiery former Home Affairs Minister is regarded by observers as having contributed significantly to the deterioration in Zimbabwe's human rights record since his appointment almost two years ago.

His replacement, Mr Mubako, moves across from the Ministry of Justice, where on more than one occasion he defended the judiciary from attacks by Dr Ushewokunze.



Dr Ushewokunze: Human Mr Mugabe: Increased his rights record attacked

# Pit overtime ban costs 7,000 shifts

Labour Editor

More than 7,000 mine Alineworkers went into tenth week.

caused maintenance mines in Dorham, Yorkshire and South Wales.

The worst incident was a Mardy colliery in the Rhondda, where a new seam containing machinery worth more than £3m, on which the pit's future depends, was flooded over the weekend, and the NUM branch refused to permit overtime

An NCB spokesman said: "We are now reviewing the future of this seam." Mardy, sunk in 1893 and employing 700 men, used to be known as "Little Nioscow" because of its traditional militancy. The pit lost £6m last year and closure of the new seam could lead to a complete shutdown.

shifts was more than double the ed since the action started last

October. increase the coal board's 5.2 per cent pay offer, is becoming an issue in the election for a new general secretary of the mineworkers' union. Polling takes place on January 20, and the moderate candidate Mr John Walsh, is to visit Staffordshire on Saturday to unveil his plans for a "compro-

# By Paul Routledge

were sent home or washed out vesterday as the overtime ban by the National Union of

As the pits restarted in England and Wales after the 10-day holiday, a backlog of National Coal Board to sus-

working to pump it dry.

normal working.

Elsewhere, many men were sent home, or left the pits without waiting to be told, in Durham and Yorkshire, largely because of delays created by statutory maintenance of steel ropes in the shafts. This work

is normally carried out at the weekend, but because of the ban it has to be done during weekday shifts, and prevents Yesterday's total of lost previous highest figure record-

The overtime ban, ordered by the NUM executive to

NUM election, page 8

### House said yesterday that American aircraft would continue reconnaissance flights over Syrian-held positions in Lebanon to protect United States Marines near Beirut As the airmen was released, the Defence Department in Washington disclosed that United States jets vesterday flem

sions over Syrian positions. The White House spokesman Mr Larry Speakes, said the expressed delight that Sy reconnaissance flights were a defensive mechanism and would go on until attacks by Syrian-backed forces on the Marines scrving with the

force had stopped:

President ordered the release of Lieutenant Goodman earlier yesterday during a mission to Damascus by the Democratic presidential contender, the Rev Jesse Jackson. Lieutenant Goodman was son. Lieutenant Goodman was captured by the Syrians after being shot down while on a reconnaissance flight on December 4.

Mr. Jackson and the airmen said: "We hope that the South of the said of the said of the said of the said." We hope that the South of the said of th

vesterday left Damascus for Frankfurt with the airmen saying "I am not a hero" and Mr Jackson calling on President Reagan to hold a summit meeting with the Syrian Presi-

Israeli and the multimate force - san come home allow that country to be u The airman's release, Mr more". Jackson said, was a "victory for everybody". President Assad had made a magnificent gesture because he "wanted to cooper-ate, to break the cycle of pain".

British barriers against imported milk were lifted for

he first time yesterday when

38.000 pints from Normandy

were cleared at Newhaven

West Sussex, as fit for human

received two inquiries from

British companies, saying they might import milk from West

Germany and Scandinavia The French consignment of

emi-skimmed long-life milk

entered. Britain despite oppo-

sition from farmers and unions but in time to avert a clash

between the British Govern-

ment and the EEC Commission

### Curfew British ban lifted in on French milk lifted Nigeria

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the Rev Jesse Jackson

Syria releases US

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By Our Foreign Staff

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Reagan stands fire

Despite Syria's release of

United States Navy Licutenant

Robert Goodman, the White

Lagos (Reuter AP r Nigeria's new military yesterday lifted the c imposed after they took in last Saturday's coup reopened the country's are consumption. The shipment was released by officials of Lewes District Council who The move came after swearing in of a 19-m Supreme Military Co Nigeria's new ruling body council then met in

session to discuss the form of a Federal Executive Co act as a Cabinet.
Major General Moha Major General Moha Buhari, the new leader closed yesterday that a bri was killed as he came to President Stichu Shagar Saturday. The brigadier w only casualty in the coup. President Shagari, whereabouts had been a

tery, flew to Lagos yesten tery, new to agos yesten a military aircraft and driven off in handcuff News Agency of Niger ported. Unconfirmed r said he was handcuffed bauss it was on his command it the brigadier had been shot. Lagos radio reported the trouble since the takeove looting and burning of

The semi-official new ry of Nigeris. Quoted by agos radio reported that the sarket in Genin City was razid on Sunday after widescale noting. The fire chief Mr Humphrey Longe, told the agency that the value of food smaterial, inverse. cosmetics and electronic

# Britain reeling in backlash of America's freeze

About forty, express coach passengers were sheltering near Dunbeath, 18 miles south of

Wick after their coach broke down and snother sent to help careered off the road. Five people were slightly hurt when their bus slid 15 ft down an ord-breaking freeze which oped North America over the ristman boilday, weather embankment at the Rest and Be Thenkful Pass, in Argyll.

Mr. Norman Holmes, 3
milkman, found his path

Snow resterday brought nos to many parts of Scot-id, closing roads and dragging aving thousands of people blocked by a falling tree at inhout lear or light. Show fell Kinlochlaggan, Strathspey, and far south as Kein and when he left his cab to ertfordshire. The bases weather would flattened by two other falling ormally have been suffered by trees.

ormally have been suffered by trees. cland and Norway, but the All around the coast. of straordinary cold over North Britain there were moutaineous merica for the past two weeks seas whipped up by the driving seas whipped up by the driving the past two weeks. sweep across the British Isles. rackneli said yesterday.

The record low temperatures Cornish coast, the United States and The tug. anada recently would not eather. "But in this case the atmosphere; between 18,000 ft tug's propeller and the tug and 30,000 ft have brought low drifted helplessly towards the essure systems further south". a spokesman said.

As the winds and snow pread south speed limits were imposed on motorways and drivers finded against apalling onditions. At sea, at last two ships crews were plucked to safety and ferries sought to

were picked up from lateralls after the 500-ton Danish petrol reach sheller.

For the second day, Scotland, bore the brunt of the bad weather and emergency services were stretched to their limits. Ten thousand homes on the island of Skye and the district of lockalch were without nomer. tanker Eva Tholstrup broke free from her moorings at Milford. Haven and drifted the crew were airlifted off and another two picked up by pilot Lochaish were without power boats before the tanker was secured by tugs and taken in the Outer Hebrard was provided by the yacht bloom out of the water brought down power that blacking out four small towns. Many roads were blocked by snow, but a number of people

on a crossing due to take under two. The ship was forced to take saction in the Downs after she was unable to berth in Folkestone of Dorce.
Forecast, back page **Subsidy puts Commons** 

seas whipped up by the driving

gales. A lifeboat plucked the seven-man crew of a tug to safety last night after a dramatic

rescue went wrong off the

The tug Fairplay collided with a crippled 950-ton Dutch

coaster as she tried to put a line

aboard her in St Ives Bay. The

wire became entangled with the

estuary Hayle where it grounded.

St lifeboat took the tugmen off but the seven-man

crew on the coaster, the Orca,

were trying to ride out the storm

until the arrival of a tug from

Three men and a woman

towards rocks. Four others fof

boats before the tanker was

Faimouth.

catering into profit By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent

facilities over the next three department "returned" some wears. Mr Charles Irving the money to the Treasury. vears. Mr Charles Irving the Conservative chairman of the parliamentary catering com- department has built up remittee, said yesterday.

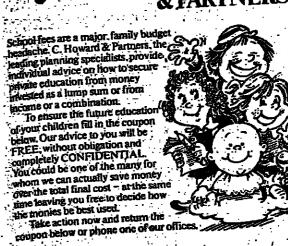
March. The accounts failed to carned net interest, after corpordisclose the £1.761.441 which the Treasury had paid for the cost of permanent staff, although they did volunteer that the taxpayer picked up the bill for ms electricity and water to the House of Commons that instead of the word programme which will far "profit", he preferred to use the word surplus. He said: "It have to our credit."

The House of Commons isn't really profit if you are Refreshment Department; is distributing it all to yourself, is planning to spend more than the capeted that it would be four of five years before the facilities over the next these department. The turned is some facilities over the next these department.

riment last month include £655,486 held in investreported a net profit of ment and current accounts at 1230,697 for the year to last Lloyds Bank, which last year Asked what he would be

doing with his reserves. Mr leving said: We shall be spending it. We are submitting exceed the £1m or so that we

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### abour has lost its identity, says Lord Wilson added, however: The party is, I think, happier By Anthony Pevins party of Opposition, and of course there in now a rather strong and intelligent, however together now. It is resolved to

Political Correspondent Lord Wilson of Rievanix, the former Prime Minister, said yesterday that Mr Neil Kinnock's Labour Party was fighting hard to look like the natural party of opposition. He said in an ITN interview:

"Although many people enjoy themselves in opposition more than they do on the government back benches, the Labour Party is no longer what I called it and what it was - 17 party of government."

Clearly referring to Mr

Michael Foot's leadership,

Lord Wilson said: "With some

performances not long ago, it has not even been the natural

regrettable, third party which is an opposition party. There was, however, tribute for Mr Kinnock:

own responsibilities

an excellent one. The more I talk to him or see of him, the more I think so." Yet, in perhaps typical fashion, Lord Wilson pointed out that Mr Kinnock's attack on the Government lacked the fullest impact because he had no ministerial experience of

He also said the voters were

still not quite clear what the Labour Party stood for, what

administration.

have a new leader now, I think

fight these skinheads or what-ever they may be called from The party also realized that its long-term prospects were bleak if it failed to deal with the extremists and failed to unite

Criticism of the Government

was not enough, he said. The party had to go out and win the next election. "In my day," he said, "we a break when Mr Heath got in but, as I say, we were a natural party of government. That was my claim. Now, we are fighting hard to look like the natural party of oppo-

Lord Wilson pinned much of the blame for Labour's prob-lems on the increased power of the unions inside the party. He said: "I believe that too much power has been transferred from the parliamentary l Party, the elected MPs. Commenting on the national scene, he said: "Our biggest problem now is the deprivation

wanted by so many unem-The true figures are not three million - that is absolute rubbish: They are about 4.3

and the feeling of not being



# County considers suing NGA for £314,000 Warrington police bill

police work.

been called in.

Jenkin champions

the ratepayers

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent

of State for the Environment, is larly in areas of high-spending

downtrodden ratepayers rather Mr Jenkin to put a ceiling on

than an exercise in public rates increases for selected

challenged by the commercial I hope we would never have to ratepayers, and the spiral goes use it. It would certainly be a

Rates Bill, and this must be his legislation in the party

is an important element, but the than twenty rebels and that the

pressure for all this has come Government will win a three-

Little hope for peace

in shipyards

By Barrie Clement, Labour Reporter

Crisis talks continued last night the payment, but say that the

ould be averted. The company yesterday Representatives of the Constanted to explain the detail of

Engineering Unions and state Acas, after a preliminary pres-

were involved in long, separate discussions with officials of the

owned British Shipbuilders entation last Friday.

The unions are not disputing agreement, he said.

because ratepayers have been figure majority on January 17.

We have perhaps tended to backbench revolt. It has been so

on January 17.

presenting his controversial authorities.

Rates Bill as a defence of The Bill.

He said in an interview in the

Conservative Party newspaper

Newsline, published yesterday.

that the link between rates and

votes was wearing thin; in one

inner London borough less than

15 per cent of expenditure was

paid for by domestic ratepayers.

the rest by commercial rate-

those circumstances of course

the council can snap its fingers

at the domestic ratepayers,

know that they can't be

on and on and up and up.

We are calling the thing the

seen to be primarily a matter of

dwell too much on squeezing

down local authorities, and that

workers due to start on Friday

Advisory. Conciliation and

Arbitration Service (Acas) in

London after an adjournment

from last Friday when the

The employers yesterday

continued to refuse to meet the

unions in direct negotiation

until the threat of a stoppage is

indicated before the meetings

that the gap was as wide as ever and that there was little

The management wants to

introduce a radical "survival

plan" and has offered a £7

**Unions ask TUC** 

for help to fight

'intimidation'

tight alleged political intimi-

dation from the Government

The Council of Civil Service Unions argues that the Govern-

ment is in breach of the

International Labour Organiza-tion Convention 151, which protects trade unionists' rights

to carry out their normal

council and passed to the TUC

alleges that top civil servants

have been told to deter union

activities which tend to under-

mine support for the Govern-

Mr Len Murray, general secretary of the TUC, is being

asked to seek an immediate

The council's paper requests help because of alleged intimi-

dation of those who help to

produce union journals, who call on MPs to resist spending cuts and who take industrial

action in support of colleagues in the Civil Service.

Firemen called

to cut handcuffs

cut off a prisoner's handcuffs after officers at Wood Street

police station, Wakefield, West Yorkshire, had failed to free

Firemen used a hacksaw to

ruling from the organization.

A paper prepared by the

activities.

By Our Labour Reporter Civil Service unions have asked the TUC to help them to

productivity bonus in return.

optimism about the outcome.

Negotiators from both sides

present round of talks began.

protecting the ratepayers.

The minister added: "In

payers without protest.

spending restraint.

Mr Patrick Jenkins, Secretary complaining bitterly, particu-

The National Graphical people decided to break the law.

Association should be sued for "We are not sure the dispute the £314,000 cost of policing the Warrington printing plant of Mr Eddie Shah, the Conservative Government and our solicitors leader of Cheshire County Council, Mr Kenneth Maynard,

said yesterday.

Mr Maynard, who was speaking at a meeting of Cheshire police committee, asked the county solicitor to

investigate such an action. The Bill for the operation was calculated to amount to a !p

Mr Maynard said that although the Home Office was expected to cover half the cost. Cheshire faced government panalties for overspending which would effectively treble the cost of policing the picket

"I feel very strongly that the police.
"A should be made to pay, it The division of the bill seems quite wrong that the between Home Office and about whether the prince of a about whether the prince of a county council has not been non-closed-shop

"We are not sure the dispute of the Mescrisor over vel but when it is settled vestering what is is over yet, but when it is settled Government and our solicitors to decide whether to take action to decide whether to take action were burn probable. against the NGA. "It might just start a new

pattern in covering the cost of ant than cos At the end of the The committee was told by the chief constable, Mr George was a mob who decar Fenn. that 1.340 officers had Mr Shah said that had caused a dres

The provisional breakdown showed that £160.000 had been paid in overtime to Cheshire plant had also add police and for the reinforcements from Manchester, Mersevside and Lancashire. The rest was accounted for by

The Bill, which will enable

which is seen by a number of

Conservative council leaders as

a threat to their local indepen-

interview: "I recognize that it would be very offensive to a

large number of authorities, but

I hope we would never have to

major centralization of power."

newspaper is seen as part of a

effective, so far, that the whips

believe there will be no more

present at yesterday's meetings,

chief executive of the company, said before the meetings that

the gap between the two sides

"I am not that hopeful

because the amount of flexi-

bility we are getting from the trade union side is pretty

Mr Jim Murray, secretary of

the confederation's shipbuilding

megotiating committee, said

that he thought there was room

for manoeuvre. "We should not

have come here if we thought it

was not possible to reach some

Railways can

win through.

chairman says

By Richard Dowden

British Rail is fighting for

survival, according to Mr Bob

Reid, its chairman, But he says

it is more than capable of

Railnews British Rail's news-

paper. Mr Reid says: "In 1983

we gained the confidence of government. In 1984 we have to

win the confidence of more

He says that the main issue to

be tackled is the reduction of

government support for the railways by £70m over the next

five years, over and above the

savings already planned. But

the savings "do not call for a contracting railway", he said.

Rail was about to announce

cuts on a bigger scale than Dr

Beeching's it appears that only

Southern Region is to be severely affected. Elsewhere BR

and the transport users' con-

sultative committees say that

Mr George Bowen, of the Wales and south-western committee, said he had been taken by surprise by the controversy over the cuts. "We have had full consulation with BR about the timetable for next

BR about the timetable for next year", he said, "and it looks

quite good to us. It is marginally

the cuts will be small.

better than last year.

peak-hour trains.

him.

A week earlier two prisoners cscaped from the station by shaking off their handcuffs

Southern Region is facing reductions of 30 per cent in some services, including cuts in peak-hour trains.

In spite of claims that British

Writing in the latest issue of

finding its own solutions.

was considerable.

minimal", he said.

Mr Phillip Hares, deputy

calculated effort to diminish the

The minister's explanation of

Mr Jenkin said in yesterday's

catering, transport, and damage to vehicles and uniforms during was still waiting clashes between protesters and union's arkfal so

# Pressure on EEC to pay £42m rebate

The Foreign Office is to press
the European Commission and
EEC parties for the prompt
payment of a £42m rebate due under a 1982 budgeart agree-

overspenders, with a more general capping power kept in It was disclosed by the Treasury lest mouth that total gross poments of United Kingdom bedget refunds for reserve, is scheduled for its second reading in the Commons 1982, including £170m worth or A significant number of grants agreed on December 19, Conscrvative rebels are disturbed by the general powers. amounted to £809ml.

But the outstanding \$42m due for piment by the end of 1983, has been a matter of some dispute succelast July's budget

The Cabinet discussed contingency stion on the money at its pre-Curistmas meeting and the failer to pu will be discussed again at the next Cabinet neeting neal seek. When the Prime Minister

was asked last mouth about the possibility of a meh larger default by the Community, the payment of the 1% rebate of £457m due by the end of March, she said: "Were it a default or its obligations, the we would have to take steps # saleguard As disclosed in To Times last

year, the Government has already drafted/matingency legislation to withink payment of contributions to the Com-minity, and that legislation could be brought before the House of Common, as a last resort, if the £457us withheld. But it was seested last night that withholing over the with little hope that an all-out rescue package of new working strike by 60,000 shipbuilding methods is attempting to go "to

Chef, the only 24-hour refresh-ment place in the area, and declined to say why the local £42m would be like fusing management found the women cruise to crack a mi", although "unacceptable" yesterday and the threat might help to convince EEC partners that Mrs Thatcher was indeed intent nfederation of Shipbuilding and its plan to Mr Dennis Boyd of on winning a fir deal for Britain in 1984.

Charity

inquiry

sought

By David Cross

registered charities such as the

International Voluntary Service

(IVS) may be using public funds

which receives more than

in non-violence for anti-nuclear demonstrators.

The coalition said that IVS

had set up a work camp to

landscape the peace protest camp at the Fasane submarine

base, a peace camp in Glasgow and had organized weekends in

Mr Holt said yesterday that the Home Surretary should review the charity laws. "In no circumstances" and public

circumstances should public

money be used in this way. It is

an outrage and must be investigated he said.

But Mr Nigel Watt, general-secretary of IVS, said yesterday that the grant and never

that the organization had never trained people for anti-nuclear

demonstrations, that govern-ment money given to IVS was always used for the purposes for which it had been granted and that all us activities came within the ambit of charitable law.

law.
Mr Walt said that IVS had

Fastane. But he said that it had been established to clear rubbish which had accumulated at the peace and not to

the peace camp and not to landscape the area. The Glasgow camp had considered the relationship between international trade, arms production and poverty in the United

and poverty in the United Kingdom and the Third World. It had not be being in any

London and Birmingham.

refused to serve them. Inspector Knibbs said

Newbury, Berkshire.

Inspector Thomas Knibbs,

who led the operation, said his

officers were "acting as private

citizens" in assisting the man-

agement in their common law

charged, but they may be summoned later for alleged

common law breach of the

peace. Staff at the restaurant

referred all inquiries to the head

office of Trust House Forte,

which owns the Little Chefs

chain, where Mr John Robbins

denied that there was a blanket

But he said a decision had

been taken for commercial

reasons to refuse service be-

cause of adverse comments by

regular customers about "con-

siderable misuse of some of the facilities by the Greenham Common ladies."

Mr Robbins could not say

how the Greenham women had

misused facilities at the Little

ban on Greenham women.

right to evict the women.

Twenty-one women from the Little Chef was implementing a ace camps at Greenham policy that took effect on Common air base were arrested January i to refuse to serve yesterday in an attempt to test people with "below a generally accepted standard of dress, the new ban on them imposed at the Little Chef restaurant in hygiene and behaviour".

Flying ont: Mr Neil Kinnock, the Labour leader, at Heathrow airport yesterday before leaving for Athens on an official visit. With him are his wife, Glenys; his son, Steve; and his

daughter, Rachel

Peace women held

in restaurant ban

Mr Robbins said all Trusthouse Forte establisments welcomed customers of whatever political persuasion, race or creed, provided they showed consideration for other customers and the general facilities of the premises.

A representative of the Greenham women said the ban seemed to affect all Little Chef restuarants in the country.

A man has been charged with causing actual bodily harm to a Ministry of Defence policeman and criminal damage after a car crashed through a security checkpoint at one of the main entrances to the Greenham Common base yes-

More than 140 women peace campaigners including Helen John, a leading member of the peace camp, are due to appear before magistrates at Newbury today after alleged incidents at

 A group of Oxford Project. Peace Studies will be launched next week with students in higher education fighting for £1,800 in prize money with essays on the subject of The Search for Cornwall last year, but these

# Laundry must go private

By Nicholas Timmins

Health ministers have told the Cornwall and Isles of Scilly health authority to give a large laundry contract to a private firm in Devon, inespite of the unanimous opposition of the health authority members.

The authority has been told to give the contract to Kneels of Exeter, despite some complaints about the service the firm has provided on an existing contract, and despite the authority's wish to build a new £1 m National Health Service laundry in Cornwall or to increase the output of existing laundries.

The decision was attacked resterday by Mr Michael Meacher, Labour spokesman on social services, as having nothing to do with the best interests of the health service and everything to do with "privatization at any cost".

Mr George Owens, district administrator for Cornwall, said the health authority had fears about privatizing the service. If the cost of the contract rose sharply when it was renewed

"we are likely to be somewhat over a barrel", he said. Of the two other private firms that tendered, one had put in a bid that was too high and the other needed 18 months to

build additional plant. Mr Hamish Palmer, a director of Kneels, said there had been some complaints about a contract the company won from

forces to demand tougher security

The rival leaders of Northern Adams. MP for Belfast West,

Ulster rivals join

reland's unionists - Mr James could be convicted. Molyneaux, of the Official Both men have criticized the Unionist Party, and the Rev Ian RUC Chief Constable, Sir John Paisley, of the Democratic Hermon, Mr Paisley has called Paisley, of the Democratic Unionists - will demand strin- loudly and often for his gent new security measures resignation.

They are expected to empha-They are sinking their often size jointly that any new bitter differences for a joint security offensive should be approach to Mr James Prior, headed by a new operational Secretary of State for Northern commander rather than Sir Ireland, over the resurgence of John, if it is to gain their Ireland, over the resurgence of terrorism recently - particularly parties' confidence and support. the Darkley church massacre in

Meanwhile, the RUC and police in the republic searched on both sides of the border yesterday for a red Peugeot 504 Unionists' law and order spokesman. Mr Edgar Graham. which they believed was used by the murderers of the first Mr Frank Millar, the Official terrorist victim of 1984 in Northern Ireland, a part-time private in the Ulster Defence Regiment.

said vesterday: "The talks with Mr Prior will be confidential Mr Robert Gregory-Elliott. aged 25. a self-employed elecand concerned exclusively with security. They are not revealing any details of the proposals they trician, was shot dead within are jointly putting to him."

It can be safely predicted. carshot of his widowed mother with whom he lived in an isolated country house near Castlederg in Co Tyrone. however, that the party leaders will request a heavier and more

Officers from Scotland overt presence of the security forces along the border with the Irish Republic. Yard's anti-terrorist squad spent much of yesterday talking They are also expected to to commutters at Edgware demand the lifting of what they Underground station, north say are cash limits on the London, where the car used in amount of overtime worked by the Harrods bombing may have the Royal Ulster Constabulary. been left shortly before the blast (Stewart Tendler writes). rights to silence and more diligent enforcement of the generally ignored existing laws

The exercise vesterday is expected to be the first of several throughout London to test sightings of the blue Austin 1300 GT reported by the public

# Party to question MP on private life By Ronald Faux

Gerald Bermingham, MP for St Helens South is to appear before the general management committee of the constituency Labour Party tomorrow to discuss his private

co Armagh on November 27

and the murder of the Official

Unionists' general secretary.

the ending of terrorist suspects'

against incitement, under which

they believe such Provisional

Sinn Fein leaders as Mr Gerry

on December 7.

It has been reported that Mr Bermingham, who has been married twice, has been having affairs with two women.

Mr Jerry Caughey, secretary of the constituency Labour Party, said yesterday: "It is not the sexual escapades that we are concerned with, but the way the stories have brought the party into disrepute an destroyed his own credibility.

Those are the important things. This will give him a chance. once again, to give the party an explanation. I am hoping that he has a good explanaton ecause he has played a good role for the party down in

Mr Caughey said that if Mr Bermingham failed to impress the local party, they would expect him to ado the honourable thing" and resign. On December 15, the local

party passed a vote of no confidence in Mr Bermingham



About 200 members of the general management committee are expected to attend tomorrow's meeting in St Helens Town Hall. But however much the local party might wish Mr Bermingham to resign, he cannot constitutionally forced to give up the seat.

Reselection does not take place until later this year and Mr Bermingham, who has resigned his senior position with a leading firm of Sheffield solicitors, could remain an MP. and draw a salary until the next

# Cabinet secrets revealed

# Bomb warning to ministers

By Peter Hennessy and David Walker

relations".

record that:

tight security should conceal this revaluation. The minutes

He thought it was true that the possibility of major war had receded slightly.... At the same time he thought it would be unwise to give any wide currency to this appreciation by the Chiefs-of-Staff. In portloyar, he decreated the

In particular he deprecated the suggestion that it should be communicated to the United States

outhorities - it was unnecessary for us to do anything which might encourage them to reduce the level of their defence expenditure.

In the autumn of 1953, Churchill faced a possible revolt by the chiefs because of

imposing a ceiling of £1,650m

The Soviet Union has been in a position to knock out Britain with a nuclear strike since 1953, according to a An MP yesterday asked Leon Whitehall intelligence assessment made available at the Brittan, the Home Secretary, to investigate allegations that Public Record Office in Kew this week. Secret files declassified

under the 30-year rule disclose that the chiefs-of-staff passed to support the peace movement.

Mr Richard Holt, Conservaon the grim message to ministers on January 29, 1953, tive MP for Langbaurgh, Cleve-land, was responding to a claim by the Coalition for Peace Through Security that IVS with the warning that "no known form of defence can prevent a really determined, suitably equipped enemy from £200,000 a year in government grants, had helped to set up "peace camps" in Britain and had organized training sessions dropping a proportion of his atom bombs on this country".

In October, 1953, the chiefs reported a sharp increase in Soviet atom hombs to between 150 and 200. If the third world war broke out, they reckoned "the main weight of the Soviet strategic attack will initially be directed against these islands" from bases in the Ukraine and White Russia.

The chiefs believed that a western capability for launching atomic strikes against these bases was the best form of deterrence; but they could not decide whether the growing nuclear arsenals of East and West made war more or less likely.

In August, 1953, the Russians tested a hydrogen bomb, ending the United States

A Churchillian plan for intimidating Mau Mau terror-ists in Kenya by flying helicopters over their redoubts in the Aberdare mountains is disclosed in official files for

1953.
Minutes for the Cabinet Defence Committee meeting of March 6 record that "The Prime Minister stressed the importance of making a display of air power over the heads of the Mau Mau. The more often they saw an aircraft overhead. It had not been related in any way to anti-nuclear protests in Britain or elsewhere, Mr Watt said. the more they would feel that all their movements were under observations." Sir Winston was told that the Mr Wall also denied that the peace weekends had anything to

few helicopters available could not be used at the heights required in Kenya. The Royal to live and work in harmony with one would send Harvard aircraft instead.

monopoly on thermonuclear weapons some two years sooner The chiefs talked of exercising their constitutional right to protest against the course of expected. But the death of defence policy on the ground that the Government's strategy Stalin in March, 1953, and parest in East Germany in June changed slightly Whiteof contingency planning for a six-week third world war was half's assessment of the likelihood of the Soviet Union An ambitious plan by "C". starting a world war.

Sir John Sinclair, head of MI6, The chiefs informed the to increase the clout of the Cabinet's Defence Committee on October 1: "Stalin's suc-West by preparing for clanoperations behind cessors are no in a position to Soviet lines in the opening pursue Stalin's policies, which stage of a third world war involved heavy pressure on the using British servicemen, 500 "foreigners" and fleets of Soviet people and a high degree of tension in international transport aircraft - was turned down by the chiefs in 1953 At a meeting of the com-nittee, Churchill insisted that because of the cost.

"C" was told to confine himself to "certain comp-de-main operations in the Middle East, where the dividends to be obtained are high in relation to the resources required [and to] any other small-scale oper-ations not requiring additional Service resources". On a less grave level, the

Admiralty spent a great deal of time in 1953 deciding whether sailors of the Royal Navy could wear earrings. After prolonged discussion, the Fourth Sea Lord's recommendation was accepted that each case should be examined on its merits. Tomorrow: The 1953 review of

# Churchill plan to scare Mau Mau

when so instructed.



Lord Harding: Reported on Kenya visit

Ministers became increasingly concerned about Mau Mau after General Sir John (now Lord) Harding, Chief of

the Imperial General Staff, reported on a fact-finding visit to the troubled areas in Kenya in February, 1953: "The bulk of the Kikuyu were believed to have taken the Mau Mau oath, which committed them to acts of violence against Europeans

"This had been achieved entirely by marauding gangs, who were mainly in the Aberdare mountains - but were now spreading further afield - and who forcibly recruited the local Kikuyu to assist them in acts of violence."

Sir John urged a stepping up of activity on the military, police and intelligence fronts to prevent Man Man-style terror-ism spreading to other parts of East Africa and to "curb" the "European hotheads" in Kenya.

# £2m sought for science centre in dockland

From Lucy Hodges, Education Correspondent, Exeter

Britain's first science centre published posthumously or "exploratory" designed to interest children and adults in 1627. It has been made a reality in San Francisco, where Dr science, will open in Bristol's Frank Oppenheimer has opened dockland, if £2m can be raised. an Exploratorium. The centre, containing dem-The Bristol exploratory will onstrations and experiments for reenact experiments from the people to carry out, is based on past with the methods then

Francis Bacon. Professor Richard Gregory, of Bristol University, said yesterday it should enable ordinary people to make intelli-

a seventeenth-century idea from

gent decisions about technologicai change. Addressing the Association for Science Education conference in Exeter, Professor Grego-

ry said it was dangerous for people not to understand the world in which they lived. "I would like to have our technology made transparent so that the world does not look like a conjuring trick but is under-

Bacon's idea for a science

politicians, including Mr William Waldgerave, under sec-retary of State for the Environ-

The Nuffield Foundation has given him £30,000 and he has centre appeared in a fragment of the conditional offer of a larg a book. The New Atlantis. building in Bristol's docklands. the conditional offer of a large .

available. The experiments will

then be repeated with modern

There will be a race between

balls rolling down a straight

path and balls rolling down-a

curved path to find the quickest

Professor Gregory, director of

Bristol University's brain and

perception laboratory has sup-

port from scientists and some

instruments and methods.

### Britons take chess lead From Harry Golombek, Hastings At the end of round six three notish players. Hebden, Mar-

English players, Hebden, Martin and Speelman were in the lead wih four points each in the Ace Grandmaster chess tourament in Hastings. Martin had quick short draw with the Swedish grandmaster

Karlsson, but the other two had much more lively games. Speelman always looked to have the upper hand against Csom, but had to find the most

precise and vigorous way of forcing a win. That he did most successfully and the Hungarian grandmaster lost on time, with live moves to be played. Hebden endured a strong attack at the hands of the other

Hungarian grandmaster, Sax, but obtained the draw by perpetual check.
The other British players.

Jonathan Mestel, adjourned against the American master

against the American master Ivanov.a pawn.to the good. Scores Nebton. Martin and Speciman 4: Scores Nebton. Martin and Speciman 4: Facilità and Kartson 3 hr; Coon 3. Alburt. Score 1 hr. and 1 postporied: Subal addourned: Subal addourned. Onevict 1 and 2 addourned: Subal addourned Cores 1 and 2 addourned: Subal addourned Subal Alburt addourned Spainst Kudrin. Op Critain system 40 subal addourned of Op Catalan System 35: Subal addourned of Op Catalan System 35: Subal addourned subal subal subal addourned subal subal

Mark Hebden, the Leicester chess international, beat Serger Kudrin, the US international master, with an incisive kingside attack on Monday.

He thus upset the balance of forces and the undefeated dominance of 7 of the 14 players in the tournament.

Andrew Martin, somewhat

surprisingly won against Alburt the US grandmaster, in 40 Nigel Short won with a strong attack out of the opening against Suba, the Romanian grandmaster, and Mestel and

Ftacnik played a drawn game in

a classic end game position.

Overseas selling prices

# with one another, he said.

# Further rise in cost of tea likely as auction prices increase by 20%

The price of a packet of tea, still Britain's favourite drink, is expected to rise again because the Indian Government has severely restricted tea exports.

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Prices soured by about 20 per cent at yesterday's weekly tea auction in London. A spokesman for Brooke Bond Oxo, which with 30 per cent of the British market is the nation's biggest supplier, said: "We are looking at the situation daily and clearly another increase cannot be long deferred."

But both tea traders and retailers could not say yet by how much prices in the shops would rise. Brooke Bond raised its prices by 10 per cent last April, and again in December by 8.5 per cent for packet tea and 12.5 per cent for tea bags.

The increases were forced by a continuous rise last year in world tea prices. The average London auction price rose from 135p a kilogramme in April to 252p just before Christmas. Consumption in the Middle East, the Soviet Union and developing countries has been growing and in 1983 world demand exceeded supply.

These increases are just

beginning to work their way on lieved in the tea trade to have to the supermarket shelves. But the announcement on Christmas Day by the Indian Government that it would ban, probably for four months, the export of crush, tear and curl (CTC) teas has pushed prices upagain.

the north Indian teas which are Brooke Bond's PG Tips. Of the tea drunk in Britain, 80 per cent is CTC, and of that amount India supplies a quarter.

No official averages for yesterday's auction have yet been calculated, but tea traders said that quality teas could now be fetching around 330p, an increase of 50p over the last auction. Northern Indian teas rose by between 50p and 70p yesterday and one variety of Sri Lankan tea, Ceylon Broken Orange, reached what is be-lieved to be the record price of 360p a kilogramme,

India's decision to stop exporting CTC teas, which constitute most of the producer's overseas sales, is be-

been motivated by the unpopularity within India of higher tea prices, Mrs Indira Gandhi, the Prime Minister, stands for

also been prompted by the end of the northern Indian tea The CTC process releases the season, which runs from Apristrong flavour and colour from to December, in a normal year the basis of popular blends in about eight million kilo-Britain. The market leader is grammes of tea over the next kilogrammes annually.

> able to changes in the world supply because it is one of the biggest tea markets. The average Boulsh citizen, according to the more per capita.

A spokesman for Brooke Bond said that retail tea price increases are running well behind wholesale tea prices. It had warned the trade in December that another rise might be necessary if world tea

# Law Society attack on media over Bill

By Christopher Warman, Property Correspondent

House Buyers Bill, which seeks to end solicitors' monopoly in conveyancing, has been strongly criticized by Mr Christopher Hewetson, president of the Law Society.

In a letter to all solicitors' firms in England, Mr Hewet-son said the society's attempts to put over its case to the public had been frustrated by "a hostile press".

The letter also said the media had "constantly dis-torted" the way in which the society handled complaints from the public about solicitors, and singled out the recent case in which, Mr Glanville Dayies overcharged his client, Mr Leslie Parsons, by more than

A Law Society spokesman said last night the letter had been sent immediately after the second reading of the Bill on December 16 because members would want to know the society's views and, because of Christmas, would not receive next edition of their pro-fessional journal until the

middle of January. Mr Hewetson thanked them for responding to his call to

Coverage by the media of the block what he described as "this thoroughly unsatisfactory Bill". Because of their constructive response, MPs had been "deluged" with letters warning them of the "vital consumer interests which are at

> The lobbying of MPs by solicitors had helped to ensure that virtually all speakers on the Bill in the Commons had recognized its unsatisfactory nature, he said.

The Bill, sponsored by Mr Austin Mitchell, Labour MP for Great Grimsby, and supported by the Consumer Association, inexpectedly re-ceived its second reading after the Government had asked for its rejection on the ground that it would put forward its own legislation in the future. The Law Society had been criticized by some MPs for trying to persnade MPs to vote against

The Bill now goes to the unittee stage, where it is likely to be overtaken by the Government's own, less radical, proposals for the reform of the solicitors' monopoly of convey-

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Mr Barlow and his wife on their wedding day; 11 months

# Wife-killer is freed after 26 years

Kenneth Barlow, Britain's second-longest serving prisoner, stepped into a freezing dawn from Leyhill open prison near announced that he would Bristol, yesterday after 26 years remain at Leyhill until an

in jail.

Barlow, who has been released on licence, saw the gations outside world from the back of Barlow a speeding car containing his innocence. He said he had representatives of a features injected his wife with another agency which is understood to drug in an attempt to end her have bought his story.

A former nurse, Barlow, now

aged 65, was jailed for life at lodgings in the Kent seaside Leeds Assizes in 1957 for what was described as a "perfect murder". He had killed his second wife, Elizabeth, aged 30 and pregnant at the time, by injecting her with insulin.

for 11 months when Mrs Barlow, a former nurse, drowned in her bath after falling into a coma. Only after her body had been exhumed for a second post-mortem examination were needle marks found, and Barlow was tried for

been injected with extracts accused. taken from Mrs Barlow's body. The animals that responded to the extracts had experienced convulsions and collarse.

Less than a year earlier an

Barlow had been due to be released on licence last November but the Home Office inquiry had been conducted into certain, unspecified, alle-

Barlow has always protested

Barlow is expected to find report regularly to the probation services. He will be meeting Mrs Sybil Stancliffe, of Batley, West Yorkshire; who, with her jecting her with insulin.

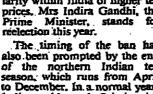
The couple had been married his release over a 20 year period. In March Mr Barlow spent some days parole leave

> Mrs Stancliffe said yesterday that she was planning a party next month for him. "My husband had talked with a lot of killers and he always said Ken

was not one. She said that Barlow was At the trial, a biochemist said that Barlow was that more than 1,000 mice had bitter about being wrongly Britain's prisoner is John Straffon, who

has been behind bars for 31 He was sent to Broadmoor anonymous telephone call led for killing two young girls, but to a police inquiry into the escaped after seven months and death of Barlow's first wife. An strangled another child. He is In pharmacological tests for inquest ruled that her death was now at Long Lartin prison, due to natural causes.

| pain-transmitting elements in Hereford and Worcester. | pain-transmitting elements in servous systems. | Professor



India would supply Britain with four months. Total British imports are around 180 million Britain is particularly vulner

Tea Council which represents the industry, drinks 3.25 kilo grammes of tea a year, or four cups a day. Only Ireland, Kuwait and Qatar consume

prices continued to go up.

# LBC to cut news broadcasts

Arts Correspondent

local radio station is to cut its news output in an attempt to remain financially viable.

Talk shows and feature items have been dropped.

and current affairs station; but its fortunes declined last year and management found that one of the most frequent criticisms of the station was the repetitive nature of news bulletins.

but no redundancies among its 170 staff, he said.

Members of the National feared the company wanted to move the station downmarket

casting Authority, which controls e franchise, did not object

will be increased on Londonbased LBC, but plans to introduce pop music in an attempt, to maintain ratings

editorial director, said there

Union of Journalists at LBC had

But Mr Thornton said LBC had looked at introducing pop music and decided against it. although the Independent Broad-

"LBC is an all-speech radio

# Sheep hunt

Ministry of Agriculture officials were trying yesterday to trace thousands of sheep sold at auction in the past six months in 200 square miles on the Cumbria-Durham border where there is a scrious outbreak of

Britain's first commercial

station and we think we can make it more interesting and more appealing in the future", he said. Brian Hayes, the morning chat show presenter, will have an extra hour, and a new afternoon

By David Hewson

LBC started in 1973 as a talk

Mr Peter Thornton LBC's would be changes in the station's work schedules from next week

into pop music to increase

current affairs features programme will be introduced, both

at the expense of news bulletins. LBC was not losing money as a company, he said. "But the situation isn't a licence to print money. News gathering is a very expensive operation and LBC hasn't made huge profits for its

# Deck games: The Mississippi dancers rehearsing ye

By Hugh Clayton Meat exports to Britain have een banned from farms and factories near an outbreak of

Exports to Britain of Dutch ham and bacon have risen in recent years, and none will now be allowed from within 30 kilometres of the small farm at Nagaele in the north-east Polder ditrict from which the disease

has spread. Foot-and-mouth disease is one of the fastest spreading and most costly virus infections of farm animals. The last British outbreak was on the Isle of Wight almost three years ago. when hundreds of animals were slaughtered and burnt on government orders in a successful effort to keep the disease off

Disease

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foot-and-mouth disease in Hol-

the mainland. That virus was thought to have been carried or wafted about 200 miles from outbreaks in northern France. That is about the distance between the Dutch cases and the coast of East Anglia.
The Ministry of Agriculture

Fisheries and Food in London said yesterday that it was satisified with the strict precautions taken by the Dutch authorities. The ministry will be represented at a meeting in Brussels today of government vets from all EEC states who will discuss the Dutch cases.

No source has yet been traced, although the outbreak is close to an experimental cattle farm. The virus once infected cattle in Britain after escaping from a laboratory.

Holland fights the disease

with mass vaccination of farm animals, while Britain relies on a policy of quarantine and slaughter.

remai By Clifford Longi

A legal challenge in made to the Church land's new procedures remarriage of divorce

Armed with a letter Lord Denning, former of the Rolls, a body Marriage Solidarity is s a ruling from the G Synod's Legal Advisory mission that the procedu agreed next month, who

Lord Denning, who was Chancellor of the London Southwark dioceses, has in a letter to a Mar Solidarity member tha permit remarriage in a ch would constitute a change Anglican doctrine.

Mr Robert Edwards leading member of the gr said yesterday that lawyers had given a sir opinion. The group did envisage a challenge to General Synod in the H Court but said anyone co make such a challenge.

Lord Denning's view me the General Synod would ha to begin complicated p cedures to change Canon B 3 which says: "Marriage is in

# Action on

By Our Techn British Telecom is to modif

7,000 of its electronic pay phones which have been particularly vulnerable to a undisclosed type of theft. More than 5,500 of the electronic press-button pay

phones which are in service w be modified by the end of the spring. The corporation's lost revenue and the cost of the

# Shops 'encouraging children to smoke'

By Kenneth Gosling

Primary school children are at the launching of a new drive against smoking.

Mr David Simpson, director of the pressure group Ash (Action on Smoking and Health) called on teachers and parents to stamp out the practice. Shopkeepers, he said, were selling the cigarettes for things the cigarettes for twice the normal price and helping children who could not afford packets of cigarettes to

become regular smokers. The scale of the practice could be large, Mr Simpson

Speaking at a press conferbeing encouraged to start ence in London to launch the smoking by tobacconists who first joint initiative by the first joint initiative by the sell them loose cigarettes at 10p leading medical and health each, it was claimed yesterday organizations, tied to a leap year national no-smoking day on February 29, Mr Simpson said parents and teachers should tell shopkeepers they were breaking the law and if they continued to sell to children, then inform the

Mr Harry Tipple, a spokes-man for retail tobacconists, said his organization had drawn members' attention to the growing number of requests for cigarettes in singles and fives. "We have sent out 15,000 notices reminding them that it is illegal to serve under-16s with

# Pained debate on fish feeling

By Thomson Prentice, Science Correspon

The declared intention of hunt saboteurs to turn their attentions to fish has led to the resurfacing of an old and controversial question: Do fish

The question has long divided scientists - but the answer is of great importance to nearly four million anglers.
Yes, probably, Professor
John Kelly, of the pharmacology department of St George's
Hospital medical school, Lon-

nospital medical school, London, said yesterday.
No, definitely not, responded
Dr. Roa Lingfield, regional
biologist of the Anglian Water
Board.

Well, possibly, Professor Geoffrey Burnstock, director of the neurosciences centre at Univerty College, London, Professor Kelly gave evi-

dence to the three-year inquiry into shooting and angling chaired by Lord Medway, which was sponsored by the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. The DSPCA internated in 1989. RSPCA interpreted its 1980 report as indicating that fish feel pain.

Professor Kelly said: "Re-

search has shown that fish react to pain-relieving drugs like morphine and valium inthe same way as mammals. "I would argue that it is foolhardy to argue that they do not suffer. The problem is that it is impossible to prove it

categorically one way or the other."

Kelly found the presence in trout of two chemicals, enkephalin and substance p, which exist in humans, other mam-mals and birds. They are involved in the transmission of pain sensation.

But Dr Lingfield said: "My view is that fish cannot feel any

pain at all, and certainly not in the sense that people associate with the word. I cannot see any grounds for believing that they experience the same sensations as many-

Dr Lingfield was one of thr scientists called on by the National Anglers' Council to study the Medway report. He challenged some of Professor Kelly's findings and said yesterday: "The fact that certain chemicals found in fish are similar those found in mammals does not indicate to me that they have the same

Dr Lingfield and his colleagues' view of the report was that "the scientific evidence does not show that fish feel pain as commonly understood pain as commonly understood by human beings". Professor Burnstock was reluctant to take either side.

"This question borders on semantics, philosophy, even religion. A fish has a primitive brain, which may be missing or constituents and areas of consciousness at things that go with it-free will or emotion, for example. "Even if a fish has the nerve endings and sensory fibres which react to pain, it doesn't

follow that the reactions would register at its conscious level.

feels pain. I think the question is impossible to answer." Mr Peter Tombleson, director of the National Anglers' Council, said: "There is insufficient scientific evidence that fish feel pain. We have looked at the subject deeply and

"The Medway report cau-tionsly concluded that the fish should be given the benefit of the doubt, that is all. The RSPCA interpreted the conclusions differently, but we do not believe objectively."

Mr Don Thomson, director of the Salmon and Trout Association, which represents 8,000 game fishers in Britain, said: "We have no definite

standpoint on the question Each angler must make up his own mind. "My own feeling is that fish do not feel pain, but I think they can feel panic." The Hunt Saboteurs' Association says that it intends to disrupt angling by throwing stones into rivers to scare fish

away and to confuse anglers by putting up fake notices warning of disease. Mr Thomson said: "These people have every right to their opinious and every right to try to stop what they think is wrong by legal means, but I do not think they have any right to offer violence. offer violence as a means of preventing these things hap-

. The RSPCA does not associate itself with the hunt sahoteurs but bases it fishing policy on the Medway report.



# Neglect of horses denied

tional Boat Show which opens at

A hunt chairman accused of causing unnecessary suffering to six thoroughbred horses told a court yesterday that the matter had been blown up out of all

proportion. Roland Ford, aged 47, of Sampford Brett, Somerset, chairman of the Quantock Staghounds, was jointly accused with Nelson Burden, a farmer aged 64, and Tom Stark, a farm worker aged 52 both of Crowcombe, Somerset, in an action at Minehead brought by

the RSPCA.

At a previous hearing, when all three pleaded not guilty. men were appointed by Mrs a court appearance. They were recaptured after a chase. The magistrates were told that the combe, to look after her horses while she visited New Zealand for six months. In her absence a 17-year-old stallion had to be put down and, when she returned, the other looked like skeletons, it was alleged.

Mr Ford, who was appointed land agent while Mrs Henson was away, told the court that the stallion had been an embarrassment the previous winter because of its condition and should not have been kept alive. He had it put down to avoid further suffering.

When Mrs Henson returned she said the horses did not look like they had when she left, but I prointed out that it was the end of the winter and that they did not look too bad. She had no complaints about the farm. She gave me a gold watch", he said Mr Burden, who took over

the farm part time, said the stallion's condition deteriorated because of its bad teeth and old The hearing continues tomor-

# Micro sales may reach 2 million

Sales of home computers in Britain this year are expected to approach two million, sustaining the growth pattern seen in the past three years. The sales of the computers, all below £500, totalled about 1.4 million last year, greater than the one million sold in the previous

British manufacturers are expected to have prominent place in the market, particularly Sinclair which now commands

about a 55 per cent share. Last year, Sinclair realized its own targets by selling 600,000 Spectrums and 200,000 ZX 81 machines. In second place was Commodore with sales of 200,000 of the VIC 20 and 230,000 of its model 64. The BBC microcomputer model B sales topped 150,000.

The boom in microcomputer sales shows little signs of abating, and the British manufacturers could obtain a larger slice of the market depriving the US suppliers. Over Christmas. demand outstripped the supply of Sinclair, Spectrums and the Acorn computer, the Electron, which was launched last year.

The BBC has had remarkable success with its machine which has sold more than 200,000 so

# Firemen called to cut handcuffs

Firemen used a hacksaw to cut off a prisoner's handcuffs after officers at Wood Street police station. Wakefield, West

Yorkshire, had failed to free A week earlier two prisoners escaped from the station by shaking off their handcuffs after recaptured after a chase. The being investigated.

# Comedian forced to leave show

Jim Davidson, the comedian, has been forced to leave his Christmas show because of a

foot injury. Mr Davidson, who missed 12 performances at the Apollo Theatre, Coventry, after he dropped a paving stone on his left foot on Christmas Day, returned on Monday against medical advice. But he was in so much pain that future shows were cancelled. Ticket refunds are planned.

# Bridge penalty

Michael and Sheila Cox who own a bridge at Swinford. Oxfordshire, have reintroduced a penny toll on motor cyclists to make them slow down, after an accident in which Mrs Cox was

# struck by a motor cycle.

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he returns to Danger.

# Jackson triumph may prove short-lived

The Rev Jesse Jackson has agreement which would provide ing been recognized as a President Reagan with a face-saving way of withdrawing US long been recognized as a skilful self-promoter. His success in securing the release of Lientenant Robert Goodman from detention in Syria has now transformed him into the most visible and most talkedabout of the eight Democratic presidential candidate - outshining, at least for the moment. even the Democratic front-runner, Mr Walter

Honever, two questions immediately arise from Mr Jackson's political coup. First. what impact will this have on US-Syrian relations and on American policy in Lebanon? And Second, to what extent will it promote Mr Jackson's candidacy for the Democratic

Although Mr Jackson succeeded where the Reagan Administration had so for failed, a fact which is undoubtedly causing the White House some temporary embarrassment in the longer term it could ease the way for an

From Our Correspondent

Beirut

It followed an increase in

attacks on Israeli patrols in

southern Lebanon, where Israel has about 15,000 troops. Ten-

sion in the south has been

heightened in recent days by

Israeli arrests of three Muslim

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who helped to drive the PLO.

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ler and Soviet Foreign Minister to meet.

Union to resume high level

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Marines from Beirut. Mr Jackson, noting that the Reagan Administration had not tried to block his visit even though they disapproved of it, ment on troop in Lean's from Lebanon. It the teat said he hoped the airman's release would be "a giant step towards new options in the Middle East".

By agreeing to feee Lieutenant Goodman. President Assad is clearly trying to make a peace gesture as well as portray his country in a more positive light. Ever since the Beirut bombing which resulted in the deaths of 24 US servicemen. the US has accused Syria of giving tacit support for the terrorist group responsible for that and other attacks.

in response to the brain was appeal by Mr Jackson of the first Mr Jackson of President American to met President Assad since the Salad Sal However, the President's statement welcoming Lieuten-ant Goodman's release was Assad since the Sub- congr's prolonged illness that Mr a good chance that Mr Rumsfeld will be the to-deal couched in a significantly moderate tone. "We hope that the Syrian Government will continue to work for peace in Lebanon so that all foreign

Mr Jackson's coup will have a far more complicating impact on internal Democratic Party bome past to been of Syria had to be at a spreed of the syria had t politics in the months preced-

ing the party convention
Recent pointon polls have
shown Mr Jackson in third place among the eight candi-dates, trailing will behind Mr Mondale and Senator John success should gained the cash of Mr Donald Resided, the Glenn. His highly-publicized rescue mission will vastly increase his name identification President's Middle or retained. slightly easier when we returns among Democratic supporters and will increase his political power within the party. But it is doubtful whether it will greatly improve his presidential prosslightly easier who to the region shorth in this respect it have not cant that the Symbol with Mr attempted to strict in Jackson's role. Symbol in Government said it was free Lieutenant beaming was free Lieutenant beaming and her words.

Nir Jackson has two probleurs: he is black, and he is highly controversial. These two factors taken together mean that it is inconceivable he could attract more than a smattering support among whites who make up the overwhelming majority of the Democratic Party.

He has acknowledged that he declared his candidacy largely for the purpose of

encouraging blacks and other minorities to register as voters and to east their votes against President Reagan.

Although he has talked about putting together a "rain-bow coalition" of blacks. Hispanies and other minorities. his candidacy has even been opposed by many black leaders who feared it could divide the Democratic Party and weaken the chances of whoever is eventually nominated of ousting President Reagan

Mr Jackson's success will certainly consolidate his appeal among blacks and will streng-then his chances of obtaining an important post in the event of the Democratics winning the November election. It will also silence many of the critics who had condemmed his mission as a cynical exercise in self-promotion, even though he clearly viewed the exercise as a means of dramatizing his candidacy. But when the votes are counted

at the party convention. Mr Jackson is likely to emerge as an also-ran.

# The Nigerian coup

# Handcuffed Shagari in Lagos as ruling council takes office

Lagos (Reuter) - A 19-mem- electricity, food and other such ber Supreme Military Council was sworn in vesterday as Nigeria's highest ruling body.

Radio Nigeria reported. members were appointed to the council. to join the 16 announced on Sunday. Some of them were members of the last military government which peacefully handed over power after elections in 1979.

There was no immediate word on the deliberations of the council which followed the swearing-in ceremony. It was due to consider the appointment of a Federal Executive Council to act as a Cabinet. -

The new head of state. Major-General Mohammed Buhari, told senior civil servants on Monday that they could expect civilian ministers to be appointed to the Executive Coun-

General Buhari said

"My own measure of our conomic development will be based on such indicators as the availability of the essentials of

esterday's ceremony that the prompted the Army takeover was his Government's main

basic commodities in our local markets at prices within the reach of the lowest income carner in the country he said.
adding that traditional indices of economic growth and production did not interst him.

Genscher

suffers

broken rib

in crash

Bonn - Herr Hans-Dietrich

Genscher, the West German Foreign Minister, broke a rib

and suffered numerous cuts and

bruises when his official car

skidded on ice and overturned

on a motorway in Saarland yesterday (Michael Binyon

A spokesman for the Free Democratic Party, of which he is leader, said Herr Genscher

was likely to be off work for

several days and might not take

part in the annual FDP Congress in Stuttgart on Friday.

Herr Genscher and the

driver, who were both wearing

safety belts, were injured but

after first aid in hospital, the

Foreign Minister was able to

Dhaka (Reuter) - Opposition

leaders have rejected an invi-

tation from General Ershad, the

Bangladesh military ruler to join talks aimed at returning

democracy to the country. Shaikh Hasina Wazed, chief

of the Awami League and head of a 15-party opposition alliance, said there would be no

talks until General Ershad lifted

Earthquake aid

Islamabad (Reuter) - Afghan

authorities have begun distributing food, money and clothes to families effected by the earthquake which hit the Hindu

Kush mountains. The earth-

quake, centred on the Pakistani-Afghan border on Saturday, claimed at least 12 dead in

Reporter killed

Rio de Janeiro (AFP) - A

West German radio journalist.

Karl Brugger, was shot dead

outside a restaurant here by a

man who tried to rob him. The

attacker escaped. Herr Brugger. aged 41, had spent nine years in

Brazil as correspondent for the

Maputo (Reuter) - As many

as 60 bus passengers were killed

in a Christmas Day ambush

near Murrupula by guerillas in

Mozambique's northern Nam-

pula province, diplomatic sources said. The gunmen ordered them out, stripped

Banker resigns

Ankara (Reuter) - The

Turkish Central Bank Gover-

nor. Mr Osman Siklar, has

resigned. The move has been

expected since Mr Turgut

ARD radio network.

them and opened fire.

Bus massacre

a ban on political activity.

return to Bonn by helicopter.

Ershal offer of

talks rejected

writes).

General Buhari repeated carlier statements that his government would stamp out corruption, fraud and waste which he said were the hallmarks of the administration of ex-President Shehu Shagari.

The News Agency of Nigera (NAN) quoted eyewitnesses as saying yesterday that the former President arrived in handcuffs and under military guard at Lagos airport from the northern city of Kaduna, where he had been taken after his arrest in Abuja the projected future capital in central Nigeria.

His former Vice-President, Mr Alex Ekwueme, and several governors of Nigeria's 19 states are also in detention.

●ABIDJAN: A Nigeria Airways plane left for Lagos vesterday, but the airline said that Lagos airport would still remain closed to most traffic (AFP reports).

Debt instalment paid, page 13

# Army rulers find no favour with Fela

The new military rulers of Nigeria will not be altogether surprised to hear that Fela is against them.

That is Fela Anikulapo Kuti, pop singer and composer, the of millions of young Nigerians and a musician with a growing international repstation. He has just completed a European tour (The Times gave one of his London concerts a rave revue on November 15) and is in London to finish his

latest long-playing record.
It should be added that Fela has 26 wives and a life style that is unusual, to put it at its mildest. He was also opposed to President Shagari's Government. He is opposed to eovernments.

Fela operates from a Lagos nightclub called the Shrine, which is always packed with people eager to hear his mixture of excellent rock music and rather confused revolution-

ary politics. He has good reason to dislike military governments because in 1976 a previous military regime sent in the soldiers to break up the Shrine. brutally assaulting Fela him-self and several of his wives and driving him into exile. Shortly before that he had

were not amused. December, called "Perambulator" and strongly critical of the Government, might have stirred the soldiers into action. Speaking more sincerely in his London hotel yesterday, Fela said he had been shocked to hear of the Army takeover. "What do they have to offer?"

He was not surprised at the lack of resistance anywhere. "People are afraid of guns", he said. "There will be soldiers in

He foresaw more confusion,

Fela: Army no better than civilians at government

civilian and military government had failed, what was left for the country? "They must try Fela government", he said, laughing. Then more seriously, he said it

was necessary to make the people feel they belonged. Fela and his 26 wives are going back to Nigeria as 5000 as the airports open. There will be thumping music coming from the Shrine to test tolerance of the new military

Senator's welcome: Chief Francis Nzeribe, a Nigerian senator and chairman of the Nigerian-owned company Fanz, which is based in London, welcomed the coup (Tony

Samstag writes). In a message from London to Major-General Mohammed Buhari he said: "I speak for all Nigerians when I say that your takeover is justified and timely". The effects of Nigeria's "mismanaged, shattered and crumbled economy" had been worse even than the effects of the Biafran civil war or any

national disaster

Ozal's Government took office last month, Mr Yildirim Akturk is expected to take over. Kuwaiti six Bahrain (Reuter). - A Kuwaiti woman has given birth to

### and two boys each weighed 2.21b and were said to be in

good health. Kennedy ill Washington (AFP) - Senator Edward Kennedy was said to be in a stable condition after being taken to hospital here on

Monday night with gastroenter-

itis. It was not known how long

sextuplets, the Kuwaiti news

agency reported. The four girls

# he would stay in hospital.

**Zulu ambush** Pictermaritzburg (AFP) Three black policemen were killed in an ambush by 50 Zulus while they were investigating the theft of 100 goats near here. One of the owners of the stolen goats was also killed.

# Jail protest ends

Nuoro. Sardinia (AFP) - Red Brigades prisoners who went on hunger strike last month at a top security jail have ended their action. They were protesting at prison conditions.

# Jumbo rampage

Jakarta (Reuter) - Herds of hungry elephants are devastating crops around southern Sumatran villages despite efforts by farmers to drive them off by making loud noises.

### Belgian scare Namur (Reuter) - Two rabid

southern Belgium, causing fears of a rabies outbreak. Health officials fear the disease could be transmitted to farmers

### I rain fired on Paris (Reuter) - Shots were

fired from a bridge near Paris at a high-speed train. Nobody was hurt but bullet marks could be seen on a window of the train.

# Pipeline plan

Moscow (Reuter)-The Soviet Union will put more than 7.450 miles of new gas pipeline into operation in 1984, the Sotialisti-

# Fatal refusal

Daussy, aged 66, strangled her husband, Joseph, aged 77, after been behind the "bread revolt", but there is no evidence to support that.

The disturbances are the most serious since the three-day riots in January, 1978, which planned to kill herself but her the support that the planned to kill herself but her the support that the planned to kill herself but her the support that the planned to kill herself but her that follows.



# France denies pulling out of Lebanon

Paris (AFP) - France vester- and protection of Beirut's way of avoiding any prolonged Bhamdoun, 15 miles east of day denied that its decision to inhabitants Beirut. The hotel was a switch troops from its continheadquarters for fighters loyal gent in the Beirut multinational contingent in Beirut would peacekeeping fore to the United always be kep at the level in Lebanon remained un-Nations Interim Force in required to fulfi this mission, changed, when taking into to Abu Mousa, a rebel Palestine Liberation Organization chief ecanon (Unitil) was a with drawal from Lebanon.

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chairman, Mr Yassir Arafat, The attacking jets also hit a Foreign Ministry and Defence sources described the ammunition dump near by, setting it ablaze. Syrian antimove as a redeployment and aircraft batteries opened fire on emphasized France's committhe Israeli warplanes, but the ment to the multinational Israeli military command in Tel force's mission as set out last Aviv said that all of its aircraft summer, support of the legitimate Lebanese Government

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Today's Taste of Utopia

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The sources aid the French On Monday, France announced that at the end of this month 482 men seconded to Beirut from Unifil would rejoin their units in the south

France is also saving that. while there is no question of withdrawal and while reaffirming its full support for the peacekeeping mission, it would nevertheless be happy to find a

former Prime Minister, who,

with former President Giscard

d'Estaing has been accused of

He accused the Government

of making one of France's

greatest state-owned industries

look indiculous and of bringing

into disrepute one of its most

distinguished institutions, the

The Government had com-

mitted "a grave error" in

deciding to publish the confi-

dential report on the affair.

drawn up by the Court of

Accounts at the Government's

request in 1980, he said in an

interview in Le Monde.

Court of Accounts.

stay of its Beirut contingent. But, for the present, it was stated. French military strength account French troops in both forces there.

The Defence Ministry said the size of the French contingent in Beirut had constantly varied between 1,400 and 2,000 men. At no time had detailed figures been listed for the troop levels and strength of the

multinational contingents.

The affair resulted in the loss

of nearly 800m francs (about

present.

Government is evidently de-

lighted by its predecessors' discomfort: M Pierre Mauroy,

the Prime Minister, did not seek

to hide his exultation in

denouncing the "naivety and irresponsibility" of those in-

He said the Government

would set up a judicial inquiry to establish whether the Italian

and Belgian "inventors" of the

"sniffer aircraft". Signor Aldo

Bonassoli and Count Alain de

in 'sniffer plane' scandal

M Raymond Barre, the President and Prime Minister at

Monday, is highly critical of the crooks." The inquiry would also state-owned Elf oil company's try to find out what became of

management and, by impli-cation, of M Giscard d'Estaing inventors' company in Switzer-

and M Barre, who were land and never recovered

the time.

Leading article, page 9 Barre hits back at critics

to legislative and executive councils for the autonomour region in northern Iraq.

dish army to "protect Kurdistan against foreign enemies"-meaning Iran, Iraq's enemy in the Gulf War. Quoting Kurdish sources, the diplomats said Baghdad had

attempting a cover-up in the oildetecting "sniffer aircraft" scandal, hit back vesterday.

from of public money in what of the state budget to rehabilitate Kurdish areas destroyed by
the war in Kurdistan and to finance development projects in the region. mation by the Government, but

nounce the agreement in an address to the nation on Army Day on Friday.

# peace pact with Kurds (Reuter)-Presiden

Iraq signs

Saddam Husain has signed an agreement with the Kurdish rebel leader, Mr Jalal Talabani. for a ceasefire in Iraqi Kurdistan and broader autonomy for the 2.5 million Kurds in the Diplomats yesterday said the

agreement, signed last month, envisaged democratic elections It also proposed the formation of a 40.000-member Kur-

promised to allocate 30 per cent

There was no official confirthe diplomats said President Husain was expected to an-

Nearly two decades of revolt by Iraqi Kurds ended after a 1975 treaty, under which Iraq agreed to share with Iran the Shatt al-Arab Waterway at the head of the Gulf. In exchange, Iran's late Shah withdrew support for the then Kurdish rebel leader, Mulla Mustafa Barzani. In 1977, the autonomous region in northern Iraq was created.

One of the key leaders of the Brunei as a private citizen. Brunei opposition party is to About 20 followers of the party appeal to the Sultan, Sir Muna have been in detention since it

Affairs' in the Parti Rakyat taking power. British Ghurkas Brunei (PRB). Brunei people's were flown in from Singapore to Party, is prepared to return to put down the unrest. An aging leader, fragile economy and a country divided

# Tunisia's bread revolt

Socialist

Paris (AP) - Tunisia, nestling between Algeria and Libya on Africa's north coast, has always been a stable, pro-Western Amb country, but efforts to bolster the economy and cut budget deficits notably food price increases - led to the latest

The not; which began last Thursday in southern Tunisia and spread testerday to Tunis and Sfax, the country's two lorgest largest cities, have been attri-buted to the doubling of the price of bread and large increases on other staple foods. In 1983, the Government paid about 180m dinars (£164m) in price subsidies. more than 60 per cent of which

sing for months how to reduce these subsidies. Tunisia, a country of 63.170 population of 6.8 million, has suffered from the world econ-

went to cereal products. The



President Bourguiba: A bias to the fertile north omic crisis as much as anyone. But an element in its favour has been its small, but steady Government has been discus- production of oil. President Habib Bourguiba's

regime is not a member of the Organization of Petroleum large factor in maintaining a square miles and an estimated Exporting Countries, but two steady increase in Tunisia's



redress the balance about 100,000 barrels of crude a

years ago it did join the growth rate. Since oil was first Organization of Arab Oil discovered in commercial quan-

the country's second largest carner of hard currency after After a bad year in 1982, when the growth rate hit only 1.4 per cent. the economy was expected to expand by 4.5 per cent in 1983. That is respectable, although below the 6 per

tities in 1964, it has represented

cent predicted by government planners. Inflation was kept to 3.7 per cent. But the world crisis, rise of the dollar and drought which affected many crops in the more fertile north, took its toll. The

the dvelopment of the middle classes and industry in the north. The problems began in the south, where date-growers complained that bungled marketing failed to move an

declared his Lagos neighbour-hood the independent "Republic of Kalakutta". The soldiers Fela had his clashes with the Shagari police too. He is immodest enough to think that his new record released in

he asked. The people of Lagos knew well that the Army was totally corrupt and as inefficient as the civilians at the business of government.

the streets, harassing people and beating them."

more corruption and Nigeria growing more bankrupt. If both

# Brunei exile to appeal

From David Watts, Singapore

Hassanal Bolkiah, to allow him was banned. to return from exile now that the country is independent.

Haji Zami bin Haji Ahmad, once the "Minister of Economic and then been prevented from

Four thousand PRB sup-

north. And the people in the

Prime Minister in 1980. Mr Muhammad Mzali, has been trying to bring more prosperity to the south, but it is a difficult and longterm project. Tra-ditionally, the south has been more restive - and more vulnerable to the machinations

infiltrated from Libya. There have been suggestions from observers in Tunisia and Paris that Colonel Gaddafi may have

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# Producing Countries. Tunisia

day every year since 1978. While this mat be negligible

tourism.

Government, since indepen-dence in 1956, has encouraged

abundant crop. This poor, under-developed desert area has been neglected in favour of the

south were hardest hit by the price rises. Since his nomination as

of Libya's Colonel Muammar Gaddali In January, 1980, the sou-thern city of Gafsa was occu-pied by armed opponents of the

accompanied a general strike. Incrve had failed.

heskaya Industriya reported.

Etretat (AFP) - Yvonne

# Kremlin says the West must relent to make progress at Stockholm

There would be no hope of ogress on arms control at the statements since then has been Mockholm conference on linuary 17 unless the West changed its position, Prarda

said yesterday.
In a lengthy hardline de-nunciation of Nato Prayda gave no hint of Soviet readiness to return to the abandoned Geneva arms talks. The article the breakdown, and said there was little point in Moscow returning to a negotiating table which is now becoming sur-jounded by a paliside of

There have been conflicting signals from the Kremlin since Russia walked out of both the talks on medium-range missiles and the Strategic Arms Reduction Talks (Start); with some commentators hinting at flexirigid line. The official position remains that voiced by President Andropov at the end of November when he said Russia would only return if cruise and Pershing 2 missiles were with-

attributed to Mr Andropov's an attack of conscience has illness and absence from politimade the Americans regret cal life, In a speech for the Central Committee plenum last week which he failed to attend. Mr Andropov made no reference at all to East-West issues.

Mr Andrei Gromyko, the Soviet Foreign Minister, is to meet Mr George Shultz, the American Secretary of State at the Stockholm conference. Observers said yesterday's Pravwarning against high expectations before the meeting or that the Soviet leadership was unable to formulate new initiat-

Pravda referred to a Supreme Soviet resolution last week calling for a "change for the better" at Stockholm, but said Moscow saw no sign that Washington was willing to

to restore the situation which American nuclear policies existed before deployment. Tass emphasized.

The lack of authoritative Pravda asked rhetorically. "But statements since then has been no, nothing of the kind. Perhaps made the Americans regret offering the Soviet Union totally unacceptable options?
The answer is still no.

"The United States was not interested in agreement with Russia on nuclear missiles, nuclear tests, chemical weapons, conventional weapons or Pravda declared, adding: "The Stockholm conference will show da article indicated either that whether America and Nato are the Kremlin wanted to five a prepared to give a clear and prepared to give a clear and businesslike reply to the Soviet Union's constructive pro-

In a related development Tass yesterday gave warning that "hot-headed strategists" in the Pentagon were planning to increase American missile potential in the Far East - and said secret negotiations were under "Perhaps Washington has Korea. "But the Soviet Union changed its mind and decided will not be intimided." way for the stationing of cruise

# Russia accused of lying about aid

to developing countries by the Soviet block is far smaller than the amounts the Soviet Union and its East European allies

claim to give.

Russia, the study says, reported to the United Nations that it gave \$44bn (£30bn) in aid between 1976 and 1980. The study asserts that the actual amount of aid given was only \$8bn, a small proportion of the Soviet gross national product (gnp).

Soviet and East European aid generally compares unfavour-ably with that of Western

Moreover, a large group of aid recipients receive negative aid from the Soviet block. According to the study, the repayments on outstanding aid loans made by these countries are larger than the amount they get in new aid from the Soviet alone.

circulated privately among Western delegations to the United Nations, It was undertaken to evaluate Soviet state- Organization for Economic ments, made to the UN's Cooperation and Development Economic and Social Council, (OECD).

New York (NYT) - A British that in essence the Soviet block Government study of foreign gives proportionately more aid aid contends that the aid given to the Third World than Western countries do.

The UN has set 0.7 per cent of the gnp as a target for industrialized nations to give as aid to developing countries. The Soviet Union, in statements to the UN, has claimed that its aid rose from 0.9 per cent of the gnp in 1976 to 1.3 per cent in 1980.

The British study says that total Soviet aid to other countries amounted to 0.19 per cent of the country's gnp in 1980 compared with a composite total of 0.35 per cent for the leading 17. Western aid giving countries in 1981.

There is no sign, the study adds, that the amount of Soviet aid has increased during the past three years. recent years, the combined East European disbursements were less than those of Belgium

The study was completed last cited in the study are those of May by the Economic Service the British Government and the of the Foreign Office and secretariat of the Development Assistance Committee, which is a sub-committee of the 17 biggest aid donors of the

# Bangladesh expels more diplomats

Dhaka (AFP) - A second group of Soviet diplomats, declared undesirable by the Bangladesh Government, left here yesterday on an Aeroflot flight, airport sources reported.

The nine diplomats and their wives were due to leave on Monday afternoon but was delayed by the late arrival of the

incoming-Aeroflot flight.
Five diplomats left Bangla-desh on December 26 after complaints by the Government patible with their status. The Foreign Ministry last month handed a list of diplo-

mats to be withdrawn from Dhaka to the Soviet Ambassador. Earlier, the Government had ordered the closure of the Soviet cultural centres in Dhaka

and Chittagong.
Russia used to have the biggest mission in Dhaka, with 36 accredited diplomats and another four in Chittagong.

At one extreme, Malawi, under the idiosyncratic Dr Hastings Banda, is unique in Black Africa in having full diplomatic relations with Pretoria and positively parading its South African connexion. The South Africans provided most of the initial financing for Dr Banda's new capital at Lilongwe.

At the other extreme Zimbabwe and Tanzania refuse any formal political contact with the Pretoria regime, a policy of some risk for Zimbabwe, given its proximity to and close economic links with South Africa, but less painful for Tanzania, which has little or no trade with the republic and is too far away to feel threatened militarily.

In between, there are varying degrees of dialogue. President Kenneth Kaunda of Zambia has held summit meetings with both Mr P W Boths, the present South African Prime Minister, and his predecessor, the late Mr John Vorster,

while Botswana, Lesotho and Swaziland negotiate regularly with Pretoria on a whole range

South Africa and its neighbours

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Workers' clash foil

Paris (Reuter, AFP) - An effort to

reopen Peugeot's troubled Talbot car

plant at Poissy was yesterday marred

by scuffles between strikers and those

A handful of striking workers were

cleared from the plant on Saturday by

riot police without incident. This

enabled maintenance teams to prepare

for yesterday's planned resumption of

production after nearly four weeks of

who wished to return to work.

In the concluding article of his series on southern Africa.

Michael Hornsby considers how the black states of the region have responded collecti-

vely and individually to the

challenge posed by the last

bastion of white power.
Divide and rule has been the

guiding principle of South Africa's successful subjugation

of its diffestic black population, beloed in no small measure by the mability of the blacks themselves to unite. To

some extent the same is true of

South Africa's relations with

the black states on or near its

borders.
Their histories, economic

circumstances, and degree of

dependence on South Africa, as well as the political preferences and temperaments of their leaders, vary widely, making it difficult for them to present a

common front to the white-

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strating a shared dislike of Pretoria's race policies.

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Mr Pik Botha, the South African Foreign Minister, has held meetings on the Cape Verde Islands with Angolan ministers to discuss a possible ceasefire in the Namibia-Southern Angola conflict, and a series have also been held over

the past year with Mozambique ministers which may yet lead to an agreement on Paradoxes abound. Most



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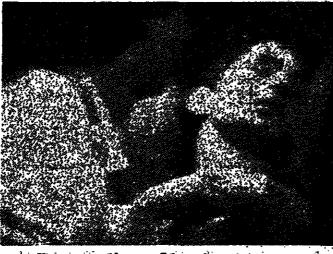
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states in the region vote regularly for trade sanctions against South Africa at the United Nations, knowing full well they could never apply them because to do so would cripple their own economies. But it is a safe gesture because the chances of the UN ever agreeing on sanctions are

In Angola. De Beers, the diamond-mining arm of Anglo-American, the biggest South African mining concern, has almost total control over the country's diamond resources, Angola's second biggest earner of foreign exchange, most of which is spent fighting the South African-backed Unita insurgents and the South Africans themselves.

# Mozambique and South Africa, despite their hostile South



# Boxer dies of brain damage

bantamweight professional boxer Salvatore Laserra collapsing in the ring in Milan on December 10-after winning his semi-final bid for the National title on points. He died of brain damage on Monday. He had been in coma since the fight against Italian Marrizio Lupino.

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The judge who acquitted six orders white air force officers of Ushew sabotage in August was sworn in yesterday as Zimbabwe's acquitt acting Chief Justice by Presiand cri dent Canaan Banana.

The appointment of Mr missed Justice Enoch Dumbutshena, Exam aged 63, followed the premature departure of Mr Justice Telford Georges. Mr Dumbutshena became the first black High Court judge in 1980 and Judge President in May last year.

Mr Georges resigned last month before his three-year

contract expired to take up the post of Chief Justice of the Bahamas. It had nothing to do with the rumoured conflict between the Government and judiciary, he said.

judgmen had nev , Some High Court judges are between said to be troubled by detention diciary.

# Aquino inquiry finds few willing witnes

Puerto Sandino yesterday, the Defence Ministry announced. An unidentified aircraft fired rockets at port installations, but there were no reports of casualties or darnage.

Later, a number of speed boats fired our a Nicaraguan Democratic strong the town of San Fernando, six later, a number of speed boats fired our a Nicaraguan Democratic Forces (FDN), operating out of Honduran fishing vessel near the port, killing a scaman Navy vessels pursued the boats, but they conspirately in the relation of Nicaragual Sandary 1 there have been five January 2 there accords the January 3 the US-backed months 5 by the US-backed forcing the January 3 the January 3 the US-backed forcing the January 3 the US-backed forcing correspondents.

He said as many as 50 who followed Mr Aquino and soldiers and 20 civilians were in a position to witness the murder of the Philippine opposition the vicinity of the China members of the Presidential Advisors and 20 civilians were in a position to witness the murder of the Philippine opposition and the vicinity of the China members of the Philippine opposition in Mr Aquino home from three January 2 there was a position to witness the murder of the Philippine opposition in Mr Aquino home from the Vicinity of the China and the Vicinity of the Vicinit

Cyprus peace offer by Turkey

Joining the new year peace offensive by the Turkish Cypriots, Turkey announced yesterday its decision to withdraw 1.500 more of the troops it has stationed in Cyprus since Ankara's military intervention The Turkish Foreign Minis-

try spokesman said the with-drawal, to be completed by the end of February, was intended to contribute to the construc-tive efforts of the Turkish Cypriots aimed at the creation of an atmosphere of goodwill and mutual trust on the island". He also emphasized Turkey's

appreciation of "the hand of peace and the comprehensive set of goodwill measures" offered by Mr Raouf Denktas. President of the "Turkish Republic of Northen Cyprus" which has only been recognized by Turkey.

This decision, and the diplomatic, political and ecomomic support pledged by Ankara to the new republic put Turkey's hopes for a continuing flow of economic and military aid from es. The trade unions were

its Western allies in jeopardy. The US Congress and various European forums have made their displeasure clear, and are now preparing to "review the

progress of the issue".

While denying a coordinated move, the Turkish spokesman ust stand. Members of the aning Democratic Labour ion (CFDT) yesterday confirmed that the announced pntinuing strike action. The withdrawal was decided after t-led General Labour Con-"consultations" with the Tur-(CGT) has called for a kish-Cypriot leadership.

Mr Denktas made a number of conciliatory proposals last Monday, aimed at persuading the Greek Cypriots to start

negotiations.
Reiterating that the unilateral declaration of independence by the Turkish Cypriots did not preclude an eventual federal state, Mr Denktas offered to place part of the Varosha suburb of Famagusta under the jurisdiction of the UN peacekeeping force in Cyprus, to allow the resettlement of Greek-

Cypriot refugees. He also offered to permit the reopening of Nicosia airport, and to allow an international commission to start investigating the fate of Cypriots reported missing since Turkey's armed intervention.

The Turkish spokesman said that Turkey was not informed of the existence of "peace plans" drafted by the United States and Britain, as reported frequently by the Greek-Cypriot

# Manhunt in Spain for Grapo police killers

A nationwide manhunt conlinued in Spain vesterday for he killers of two policemen in Grapo has only five o Madrid on Monday. The search remained centred on the capital

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Rome (Reuter) - Sicilian

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At least 18 cases of suspected

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and environs. An anonymous caller telethe message that Grapo (First of October Anti-Fascist Resistance Schor Jos Balmon Castell, aged

died in a gunfight with police in Grapo has only five or six

activists outside Spanish prisons police said here yesterday. Initially both ETA, the Basque separatist organization. phoned various news media and Grapo were under suspicion for the Madrid killings.

Groups), carried out the as-assinations in revenge for the southern province of Cordoba, fatal shooting of its former who is thought to be the leader leader, Juan Martin Luna, who of Grapo.

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# Row over church in

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cruise base From Peter Nichols

Rome NIgr Angelo Rizzo, the sisbop of Ragusa, Sicily, has een publicly critized by 2 roup of young priests for lessing the foundation stone of Roman Catholic church being uilt inside the American rissile base at Comiso. Father Giancarlo Grigio, ho bas a parish in Ragusa,

aid during the new year mass: For us Christians it is an nsult that inside the temple of lars there should be the emple of God." Young people ho struggle for peace and rotherhood, even if not bapized, were doing God's will and od was with them, he added. )ther priests made similar

In reply, the bishop said that o reject a guest was a form of activitity. "We are very happy hat Americans professing our aith can have a place of orship inside the missile ase . . . these our brothers are ot Reagan nor Andropov, they

e men of the people." They were, Mgr Rizzo said, Idiers who were at Comiso to lp Europeans to have peace home. The blessing of the undation stone had been

Fifth year of Afghan war Kabul security fails

to stop guerrillas From Michael Hamlyn

Aighan rebels managed to int the overwhelming Soviet Eurity in Kabul around the he of the fourth anniversary the Soviet intervention on

Over several days they acked in the western district Silo, injuring 11 soldiers, sey shot dead three Soviet diers in Khair Khana in the rth-west, and an unexploded mb was removed from the cks of flats largely occupied Soviet officials at Micro-

hese incidents were rerted yesterday by Western blomats in Delhi, but one ident that was reported by e Afghan official news agency lok place on the Sorubi strict. The Bakhtiar Inforation Agency published a totograph on December 31 nowing an electricity pylon hich had been blown up the

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Because of what the diplomats, the moderate group was ±∦ay before. selectrity nothing more was accomplished on the capital. But the situation in the country's second city, Kandahar in the south, is very different. According to recent visitors almost half of Kandahar has al most half of Kandahar has been destroyed, and scarcely a building remains unmarked by the fighting there. Firing is heard constantly, and the bazaars close at Ham, after which Mujahidin guerrillas

seen wandering the streets. visitor to the city reported that he had seen Soviet MiGs and helicopters bombing the builtup areas. According to diplo-mats in Pakistan the Afghan rebels seized the customs post on the Khyber Pass border with writes).



Afghanistan on the night of December 18. The guerrillas from the moderate resistance crouping killed 20 Afghan Army officers and men, according to

rebels sources. The customs post, the military area close by and a petrol storage facility were destroyed. The site was abandoned on December 21, but the other resistance groupings were reportedly unhappy about the incur-

eager to do something newsworthy to mark the anniversary, but the others objected to the interruption of normal and perfectly legitimate cross-border traffic.

Soviet troops are very rarely seen in Kandahah, and despite the fact that there are three cordons of Afghan troops around it the centre is said to be virtually under Mujahidin con-trol each afternoon.

 ISLAMABAD: Lieuten-ant General Ghulam Jilani carrying their weapons can be On Christmas Day another Khan, the governor of Punjab, expressed serious concern that Afghan refugees were buying property in Pakistan and told the district administration to ensure that these purchases were not made (Hasan Akhtar

# Rebel aircraft attacks Nicaraguan oil port

pursued the boats, but they

The oil facilities of Puerto gua

Managua (Reuter. AP) – Rebels launched an air attack on Nicaragua's Pacific port of Puerto Sandino yesterday, the Defence Ministry announced.

An unidentified aircraft fired rockets at nort installations but

January I there have been live some stands clashes in the north of Nicaraclashes in the nort

# **SPECTRUM**

After rumours that he was dying, president Assad of Syria reappeared this week with US presidential candidate Jesse Jackson. This is the first interview since his illness

# The ailing fox fights back

# by Michel Colomes and Mireille Duteil

With a very Oriental sense of dis- of his Druze and Shifte alliesspecify the nature of the illness that has afflicted him. But certain details of our theory with Israel on May 15. afflicted him. But certain details of our conversation, the length of his convalescence, the exercises that his doctors have prescribed and his somewhat stooped, shaky way of walking gave us the impression that he had been the victim of a heart attack. The patient is apparently well on the way to recovery.

The Syrian president received us in an ordinary livingroom, with cretonne armchairs and large bay windows overlooking a garden. Twenty minutes earlier, a black Mercedes driven at breakneck speed by security agents had bought us to his villa, located about 15 kilometres outside of Damascus, in the Ghouta area, the "orchard of Damascus". Assad seemed to have been living here for the past two weeks.

At almost the very same moment. Palestinians loyal to Yassir Arafat were fleeing Tripoli under the protection of the French navy. Assad, who had forced them into such desperate straits. came to life again after an illness that cannot possibly have been merely "diplomatic". None the less, there is something odd about the coincidence.

On November 12, he disappeared from public view. The next day, he had been scheduled to meet with Amin Gemayel, the Lebanese president.

Aides of the autocratic and secretive leader first let it be known that the activities. You know, in its final president had been treated for appendicitis. Two weeks later, however, there was still no news about the patient. An Israeli investigation came to the eminently logical conclusion that it was most unlikely that Assad should have had his appendix removed: that rumours about how I had so up a had already been done in Cairo in 1959. Altough he is only 53. Assad is apparently a diabetic. Some observers suggested that. like another sick celebrity, Andropov, Assad could have heart trouble.

The intense interest in the health of the Syrian president is due to his emergence in June 1982 as key Arab figure in the Middle East conflict. The hard. But that is how I was brought up. media dubbed him the "Damascus Fox" and the "Arab Bismarck".

He appeared badly hurt by the Israeli oliensive which began in that month: the Israelis forced him to accept their unemployed?" This year, dunng the cease-fire, and he was blocked from May 1st celebrations, I was on my feet helping the Palestinians trapped in Devrouth.

on America's wavering, Gemayel's The conclusion I have drawn is that all depends on what you mean by imprudence. Arafat's clumsiness and next time, I'll stay for eight hours - but Soviet ambition. He managed to sitting down. turn the situation around in less than 10 months. Even before the events of prospects of a second conference on 1982, he had convinced the Soviets to Lebanon in Geneva. We have always go beyond merely replacing the emphasized the idea of Lebanese equipment that had been lost. Wasn't reconciliation. The results of the

threatened the Lebanese ple ents shaky authority.

Assad launched an army . Issidenis, armed and supported it. by him. against Arafal, whose take was not to have sough! ad's protection. And, finally, he ge-Americans into becoming en d in a multinational force whose a asive role was risky and untenable.

This is the lucky game. inscrutable diplomat the brut - ister at dodging and thrusting, who sappeared overnight. On Decemin we became the first western oberes to see the president in mor: "an a

voiding direct reint e to the nature of his east, he gave details of his minea for recovery. He is lightened his work has and walks or takes other mild ocrcise twice a day, "I still feel you", he said. "But my body and my headon't permit me to stay as young as la like. We're all in the same boat way. Everyone feels the physiological fference between what he was a 21 and what he has become."

Assad predicted he will resent his normal activity within a few neeks. "But in fact I never interrupted my analysis, the main part of a presient's job is to know how to use the phone. So I ran the country by phone.

While in hospital. Assad a s. he called in the country's leader. As a matter of fact, that started many committee of five, or six, to un the country. I can't understand the usis of such rumours, since the countries run

by five or six people anyway."

The burden of power is excially heavy for a ruler in the aroulent Middle East, but Assad egressed equanimity about the presures. "Everybody knows that I work too Working makes me both and and happy. I asked my doctor, who wanted to force me to abide by a stricter discipline. You want me to be for eight hours stra

He professes optimism about the



resolutions would provide for a reasonable solution."

But Assad says though certain points have been clearly defined, others have still been left open to interpretation. "The most important point on which a precise definition was reached is the agreement on Lebanon's Arab identity. For us, the issue is self-evident. It is as if the two of you had to get together in order to reach the conclusion that you are both French. However, in Lebanon, this was a real political problem. Luckily it was solved, which is all the more important since the May 17 agreement between Israel and Lebanon stripped Lebanon of its Arab identity. The second important point is that there is a consensus that this agreement does not further Lebanese unity and that the issue will be discussed again in Geneva."

Assad argued his case for Syrian presence in Lebanon by making a bold

"We may be divided into two independent states, but that does not mean that we are two different nations. And France is one of the countries that is most aware of this fact. When France exercised its mandate over Syria and its protectorate over Lebanon, it linked the two economies, most notably by giving them a common currency. I would even argue that the feeling of kinship between Syria and Lebanon runs deeper than it does between states in the United States." We asked him about France's moral

doctors tell me that this is no longer answered by stressing that Lebanon is lodi;, the obligation towards Lebanon, and he But Assad proved shrewd. He played compatible with my state of health. part and parcel of the Arab world. "It moral obligation", he said. "If you mean a residue of the colonial period, then shouldn't the moral commitment apply to Syria as well? You can't compare today's France with vesterday's. New relationships must be built he their only possible foothold in the Middle Fast? He unleashed the militian previous conference in Geneva are said that we hope that France will play Middle East? He unleashed the militias very positive. If they were accepted the a more important role in the Middle

East. We have said this to the French leaders. But we have also told them that it must be a French role, or else a role within a European framework. If it is not, it loses its identity.

He was far less conciliatory towards the Americans. They have, he says, a quasi-monopoly. And their troops have become combat forces in Lebanon, pitted not even against the Syrian state, but against factions, groups and Lebanese militias. Can you imagine. A superpower fighting local militias. And we know perfectly well that the Americans are trying to draw France closer into the web of the Americandominated multinational force. We have tried in every possible way to avoid confronting the French forces in Lebanon. But we have none the less had trouble with the French forces".

ssad was at pains to prove his intentions are honest. He said Syria received the secretary general of the French Ministry of Foreign Relations in Damascas "just after France had bombed some of our positions in Lebanon. Moreover, our newspapers never publicized the fact that the planes that bombed our positions were French planes. We simply spoke of planes belonging to the multinational force. We did, however, warn France through diplomatic channels that this type of action must not be repeated".

The danger of escalation with the United States was on Assad's mind. "We are fighting each other, but that invasion of Lebanon. The Lebanese, does not stop us from meeting, who feel colonized by the Israelis, are Rumsfeld, the American envoy, was in resisting the occupation. I am con-Damascus a few days ago. I had told vinced that the Israelis lost 40 times one of his predecessors: 'I can more men than if the internal situation guarantee that we won't come fight you in your own country. But if you come Israelis have won is that more blood into our country, we will fight you, of has flowed on their side, but also on that I can assure you. I recognize the the Lebanese, Palestinian and Syrian fact that you are a great power and that side. Nobody in the world has made you have enormous means at your more sacrifices than we have to end the disposal. But our will to resist is just as war in Lebanon." enormous.' I do not wish to pursue this

confrontation with the US but I have no choice. When the Americans bomb us, we are forced to defend ourselves."

American interest in Lebanon was the object of Assad's scorn. "Lebanon is neither an economic power, nor an oil-rich power, nor a military power. So I don't see what interest it can have for the Americans. If it is a question of keeping the Soviet Union out of Lebanon, the Soviet Union is not in Lebanon, and never was present there, neither before nor after the Israeli invasion. If the aim is to do away with the Syrian presence in Lebanon, Syria, as I told you, has been at home in Lebanon for centuries. Eight years ago, we answered the call of the president of the Lebanese Republic and the heartrending call of the Lebanese people. We paid our tribute of financial and human sacrifices to answer this call,"

If we had had a specific purpose in Lebanon, why wouldn't we have accomplished it long ago? If we had had an agreement with the Soviet Union to further Soviet interests in Lebanon, why wouldn't we already have implemented it? Finally, if we had had plans to attack Israel from Lebanese territory, why wouldn't we already have done so?"

What about the Israel claim that the aim of their 1982 invasion was to bring peace to Galilee and stop the attacks against their own people by putting an end to the chaos in Lebanon?

"One can ask oneself whether Israeli security is more assured had continued. The only thing that the

# Brushing-up on an artist who hid his work from the world

Nineteen eighty-four is likely to be the year when two leading exponents of German expressionist art in Britain finally begin to receive the recognition due to them in their adopted country. One of them, Martin Bloch, was the subject of a recent BBC television documentary. The other, Heinz Koppel, once a pupil of Bloch, will soon have one of his paintings hung in the Tate Gallery in London.

Bloch, who died in 1954, is the better known of the two. Koppel, though widely praised in the 1950s and early 60s, later withdrew from public view and, when he died in 1980, left more than 250 works hardly seen outside his studio.

"Koppel will inevitably come to he seen as an important artist", says David Fraser Jenkins of the Tale Gallery. His work is undoubtedly brilliant and has found support from a number of us at the Tate. Plans are being made for a Koppel retrospective exhibition:

Fraser Jenkins has drawn up a tentative list of pictures which he hopes will be shown at a London gallery before touring the country. In a feasibility study for such an exhibition, Fraser Jenkins wrote: A retrospective exhibition of Heinz Koppel is without question most desirable: not only is his work very remarkable and of high quality, it is little known

Heinz Koppel was born into a Berlin Jewish family in 1919. His commitment to painting began early, as his elder brother recalls: He simply refused to do anything else. He had painting lessons with a White Russian named Falileff who had settled in Berlin. I remember having to go with him because he was too young to cross the city by himself."

In 1933 the Koppel family fled from the Nazis and settled in Prague. Heinz declined to continue his formal education, but his interest in art remained strong and, in 1934 he spent some time in Italy with the Russian emigre artist Gregory Osheroff, a family friend.







From left: Sir Cedric Morris; Heinz Koppel's "Street Band"; Koppel photographed in 1978 by his son Gideon

It was when he met Martin Bloch in London two years later that the course of Koppel's career was set. Bloch had left Germany in 1934 and, after spending some time in Denmark, had arrived in London and opened a school of painting Koppel studied with him for almost two years and Bloch became the most important influence on his

By the early years of the Second World War. Koppel was already beginning to attract attention as a painter, though he was still in his transfer. twenties. He taught at the Burslem School of Art. Stoke-on-Trent. and in 1942 one of his works appeared in an exhibition at the Modern Art in an exhibition at the Modern Art Gallery in London. A period of illness followed, and it was during convalescence in Wales (where his father had opened a factory also father had opened a factory after escaping from Czechoslovakia) that Koppel met the artist and teacher Esther Grainger, who ran com-munity art classes at Pontypridd, and was introduced by her to the celebrated Sir Cedric Morris. "Cedric was always impressed by

good painter", Esther Grainger recalls, "and Heinz was certainly Cedric had tremendous t for his work." Koppel visited Morris's legendary painting school/commune at Benton End in Suffolk, and Morris later got him a Job as painting instructor at the Merthyr Tydfil Education Settlement, in which Morris was closely

Originally founded as an amenity for the unemployed during the Depression, the Merthyr Settlement continued as a means of relaxation and education for war workers and their families, and Koppel found teaching miners, factory hands, housewives and children.

To him there was no difference between amateur and professional painting, and by 1947 he had organized a successful exhibition of his pupils' work in Cardiff, under the auspices of the Arts Council. Some of his own paintings were included in the show, but so that there should be no distinction between pupil and teacher they were not identified.

During the next 10 years, the work of Heinz Koppel and of his students became well known throughout the country. The Settle-ment classes grew into the Merthyr Tydfil Arts Centre, with Koppel as principal, and the exhibitions moved out of Wales. In 1954, the art critic of the Daily Worker noted a show of the art centre's work at Centr the Whitechapel Gallery in Lon-don: "The best works are based on real knowledge of Welsh scenes
...technical blemishes...are ... technical outweighed by the abundance of

Koppel's own work was also heing widely seen. During the late 1950s and early 60s, there were exhibitions at the Glynn Viviangallery in Swansea and the Kingly in London, followed by a series of shows at the Beaux Arts. Of one picture, a critic wrote that it contains something of the power of true vision, as might an early Roualt, not pleasing to the many but the elect will be satisfied".

It seemed that Koppel's success was assured. Not only were his

paintings being-seen, but they were also selling. One very striking work, "Merthyr Blues", went to a private collection in the United States, while others went to both private collectors and institutions in Wales, the Midlands and London, But then, as far as the public and critics were concerned, Heinz Koppel disappeared. Having taught at Camberwell and Hornsey, he moved to Liverpool to become senior lecturer in painting, and withdrew completely from the exhibition circuit. "The bulk of his work". accord-

ing to a study commissioned by the Welsh Arts Council two years ago, "has not been exhibited, not through lack of outside interest but through his own particular indepen-dence: he himself rejected a retrospective exhibition at the Camden Arts Centre."

For 15 years he worked in complete obscurity, experimenting with abstracts, geometric pictures, spray-paint and "construction paintings" using branches, Perspex, chain and chicken-wire. He laboured, too, on a monumental

exploration in words and drawings of the perception of colour and shape and the expression of mental states through body language. The work of those years was seen by no one outside family and close friends, until in 1978 he allowed the Welsh Arts Council to publish Picture Book and mount a small exhibition at the Oriel Gallery in Cardiff. (He had left Liverpool in 1974 and moved back to Wales.)

The exhibition catalogue de-scribed Koppel as an important artist, crediting him with having influenced a whole generation of painters working in Wales. There were hopes that at last his work could be placed before the public again, but Koppel was struck down by a heart attack on December 1, 1980, and the great bulk of his work remains in his studio. The 1981 study commissioned by the Welsh Arts Council concludes:

There should be contemporary interest in several of Koppel's preoccupations, particularly from earlier and later in his career: in the relation between amateur and professional style; in popular subjects; in the abstraction of colour and line; in the depreciation of skill in favour of the imagination; in the pursuit of a human and hand made style; in the search for an expression of psychological Esther Grainger is wholehearted

in her agreement. "You must remember," she says, "that his painting is not in a tradition with which the English have been comfortable. It is neither in the French tradition not the English tradition, but stems from German expressionism, which even now the English find difficult. But the pictures are wonderful."

The Tate's David Fraser Jenkins

emphasizes both the vibrant power of Koppel's expressionist style and the psychological significance of his later works: "I would call him an idiosyncratic genius."

David Sinclair

# moreover... Miles Kington

# Now for the Galtieri Diaries

The festive period must have been ruin for many people by reading that Gener Galtieri was to be court-martialled charges of murder, torture, etc. How couthey do this to the ever-popular Moreov guest columnist. Luckily, our late mailbag from the general shows that he still in good heart, and still anxious answer your questions and problems. Of to you. General!

This court-martial. General. Is it rea. going to happen? And did you do all the things? Well, did you? - J. R. of Shepher

General Galtieri writes: Yes, my frier this court-martial is really going to happe But probably not in my lifetime. It is see important for the new government announce a court-martial. To have a coumartial is not so important. In fact, would be a mistake for the government.

it would give publicity to my book.

What book? - J. R.

General Galtieri writes: My friend, c
nobody tell you? All big trials are men preludes to a best-selling book. My book to be called *The Galucti Diaries*, with introduction by Adolf Hitler. It is t inside story of the Malvinas War as I wr it day by day from the highest level, but the light of subsequent events mu revision has been necessary.

Remember that in our country a cou martial is rather like the sacking of football manager in your country. I am 1 Terry Neill of Argentina! You may surprised to find that I know about ye unfortunate Mr Neill, but I have a pre cuttings service which gives me news fir round the world about military matters. naturally I am interested when I see headline: "Gunners Lose Again: Heads Roll". Believe me. I know what it is like: one's gunners to lose again. Chin up, Ter At least you are not under house arrest. You haven't answered the other questic Did you do all those things? - J.R. again.

General Galtieri writes: I would love answer this, but alas it is sub judice. V have a saying in Argentina: a man presumed innocent until he disappears. What do you think about the news fro Nigeria? - S.K. of Totnes. General Galueri writes: Yes. treme

dous, is it not? The first big news of 1984 about generals taking over a country! It ju goes to show that progress is still possib-Out with corrupt civilians - in with hone soldiers. A lesson for us all.

You must have been asked this a recently, but what do you think of Geor Orwell's Nineteen Eighty-four? - N.S. Newcastle.

General Galtieri writes: I first read il under the misapprehension that it was contemporary novel, and as such I found a sober, plain account of Argentina at t' time. Since being placed under house arre I have come to see it differently and I no view it as a chilling forecast of the future. What happens when you are placed und house arrest? - K.M. of London.

General Gultieri writes: Your house arrested and taken away, and when y come home, there is nothing there! N seriously, it just means that you are given guard to make sure nothing happens ou, which of course is a great

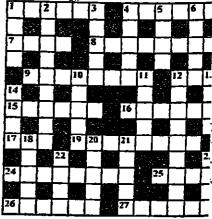
What did you get for Chistmas? - C.1 of Bath. General Galticri writes: Very domesi things - a new pistol, a medal-cleaning k a polo stick with concealed sword, etc. Or funny thing happened which I must to you about. My guard was opening all n Christmas presents for me, a matter security, and he came to a copy of Dan

Jonathan Miller's Pop-Lip Book of the Body. Well, pop-up books were a ne concept to him, so when he opened il pages and it popped up at him, h immediate reaction was to fire back, so pulled his gun and shot the book dead! W now have Jonathan Miller's Lie-Flat Boc of the Body. What are your resolutions for 1984?

M.G. of Brighton.

General Gallieri writes: To move abortion ways with very quietly. To look both ways whe leaving the house. To spend a lot of tin with my lawyer. And to be ready an available when and if the governmen should change hands. Meanwhile, a hapt new year to all my readers, and keep thos letters rolling in!

### CONCISE CROSSWORD (No 239)



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To a New Year's Eve party in Orchard Road. Needless to say, Petranella is there. She has had her

hair done à la Fonda and could double very well for the girl reporter

in The China Syndrome. It is true;

she is pregnant and is floating about with tremendous pallor and fragility

as though she might at any moment

collapse with morning (or at least

post-midnight) sickness. My usually

unreliable source, whose testimonies I am coming to respect, tells me that

the woman in question has now stocked up afresh on Gordon Bourne and Penelope Leach and all the other

grim little elements of the antenatal reading list. She is already walking

with her feet at an angle of ten-to-two and her shoulders pulled back into

the counterweight position, and when

she tells a group of fellow mothers in the corner that she is planning a "naive pregnancy", the impulse towards a belly-laugh is strong.

Just after the chimes, a tall dark

person blows into the party, but alas he is no stranger. He is Parvis Mailland, my horrible lawyer friend.

He has "come on" from a number of

grander gatherings, such is his popularity, and is drunk but

pretending not to be. When he gets a

whisf of pregnancy talk, he weighs with his usual expertise and steers

the conversation round to transferred symptoms. A very small and rather

nice librarian recalls how when his

wife was about to have their first, he

was 30 miles away on the platform of Reading General and suddenly got a dreadful spasm in the stomach. To

which Maitland replies, with what is

surely a restatement of chauvinism:

"That's nothing. When Deirdre had a bun in the oven, I got drunk and she had the hangovers. Splendid,

I am in the bathroom with my son

and we are doing a duet for woodwind and Bullworker. The

acoustics are so good that you can

hear every cartilage crackling. Just when I am despairing of turning into

Clark Kent his instrument gives out

an extraordinary sound, like a very angry kettle, and two of the plastic

keys drop to the floor. A dead heat

between his Claricorde and my

fitness resolution. Both toys can now

be consigned to an honourable

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to the tyranny of babyhood

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Four hopes

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# ALAN FRANKS' DIARY



# Duet for Claricorde and Bullworker

New Year resolutions have much in common with children's Christmas presents; they tend to get broken by mid-January. Accordingly, I thought it might be instructive to compare the respective durabilities of my son's Claricorde and my own boring resolve to keep fit. The Claricorde. by the way, is a red plastic cylinder with gaudy keys - the product of a rash union between a harmonica and one of those old Triang engines. For £3.99 i could hardly have expected an oboc. Anyway, at the time of writing, the instrument is

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If Petranella has not figured in these entries for a while, that is only because she once again fled to her parents in Farnham to escape a liaison between her husband and the latest au pair, a ridiculously pouty hlond from Stockholm. One of my other intentions for 1984 was to stop taking the mickey out of Petranella. but these things are sooner said than done. She is back in the neighbourhood now, plum towelling tracksuit and all, and has been given a Jane Fonda workout book for Christmas. Apparently she has been overdoing things in the "Advanced Bustocks" chapter, and it is certainly true that she is walking more like a pensioner than a supersiar. But I really should not mock; my usually unreliable source in Orchard Road tells me that she (Petranella) has become pregnant to save the marriage. Given my knowledge of her, this has a terrible plausibility, and we must assume that the foetus is already down for

A correction: when I said "keep fit", I meant nothing more than "get fit", Also, the resolution was not strictly of my making, but was foisted on me by the "gift" of a Bullworker. Since all presents carry with them an clement of self-seeking, I must assume that my children are unhappy with my condition; that they think me ill-equipped for the business of jetting them to the reiling in upturned stools or tossing them like hav bales into the winter sky over Richmond Park. They are work and I have often thought of feigning a rupture to buy some time off. It is not made any easier by having children who monitor each other's "goes on Daddy" with the vigilance of a weights and measures man. "Not fair. Simon had three moonshots" is a typical plaint. What worries me even more is that they may have been taken in by the Bullworker catalogue and that they will be asking for their money back (my money actually) if their father does not very soon come home with pectorals like rugger balls and his shirt seams peeling open to reveal a trunk that glistens with embro-cation. I predict another roasting in Which Parents? magazine.

Now for something completely different. This is not the weather for rabbit food and no one wants stodge either. Fresh. uncomplicated flavours would be nice, and uncomplicated recipes most welcome after the elaborate catering demands of recent weeks.
I realize that I have fallen into a

rut of late with vegetables. It has been steamed sprouts or endive salad for a week or two now with not much variation. Must do better.

The clean aniseed taste of Florence fennel becomes less pronounced when it is cooked. A few thin slices are enough to alter the character of a big bowl of salad. But cooking so softens the flavour of fennel that it makes an excellent vegetable in its own right. Braising is a good way of cooking it, though, as with celery, it must be carefully done or the result will be dispiritingly watery.

Like celery again, fennel can

# Any host too mean to serve Smirnoff will need to refer to this free handy pocket dictionary.

charl n. 1. (arch.) peasant; person of par similony n. carefulness in employment to birth 2. ill-bred fellow; larch, surly or niggardly person; hence — list a., ill-bred, surly, niggardly, [OE cord. = ill-bred, surly, niggardly, niggardly, none; none; niggardly fellow; hence — Li a. [16th c.; niggardly, night.]

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# A surfeit

With Christmas pudding and mince pies sitting heavy on the hips, this is the traditional time to stiffen the sinews and try a new wonder diet. There are more slimming books on sale than the average dieter has had hot dinners; at any one time it is estimated that 65 per cent of British women and 30 per cent of men are trying to lose weight.

An extraordinary number of publications sell hope bound up in magic and myth; their bright covers promise instant thinness without effort and commonly offer losses of ten to 15 pounds a week. They are the wizard's spell-books of today, gulling the overweight with impressive pseudo-science.

There are two major problems with these diets: firstly even if they work in the short-term most people put back the weight very fast when they stop. This is because most of the weight lost is water and lean tissue, not fat at all; as soon as the dieter returns to more normal eating the body repairs the damage. No crash diet teaches new habits which prevent obesity, so the ex-dieter tends to return to old ways which caused overweight in the first place.

The second very real problem is that stringent diets can be extremely dangerous. Deaths have been reported from starvation regimes or fasting without proper medical supervision. Popular high-protein or low-carbohydrate dieus can lead to malnutrition or electrolyte imbalances in the body. The Royal-College of Physicians offers guidelines to doctors in the management of dieting, but most people go it

alone. Consumers who fall for the unsubstantiated claims of various vitamin preparations or microalgae pills will lighten their pockets more than their abdomens, and those who fork out for predigested protein drink diets could suffer dangerous

loss of potassium.

Dietary fibre is a safer moneyspinner for its advocates, but unfortunately there is little evidence that a fibre-rich diet will actually do much to reduce weight, although it may be useful in preventing obesity initially.

In spite of evidence that a mild degree of overweight may especially in women, prolong life, the pressures to be thin are enormous. Fat people are passed over for jobs and fat children are disliked by their peers. who even prefer thin dolls to chubby ones. Ninety-seven per cent of a group of physicians and medical students judged their fat patients

Why does the disparity between

men and women at work persist?

slow; 92 per cent judged weak; 86 per cent passive and lazy;

every dieter is a potential anorectic. the message is often hysterically pro-skinny. Fashions in female beauty do change (the sex goddesses of the 1950s would be too rounded for today's tastes) but since the emerg-ence of Twiggy as an ideal nearly 20 years ago there has been a disturbing rise in the number of young women who attempt to change their basic body-shape to conform. A pear-shaped person who slims will simply come a thinner pear rather than a

In this climate where overweight is disastrous a new phenomenon has arisen in diet books with Judy Mazel's The Beverly Hills Diet. Other books have pushed useless and even dangerous methods, as she does; other theories have been as wildly unsound scientifically. However a recent article in the International Journal of Eating Disorders has exposed what it calls "the Beverly Hills eating disorder: the mass marketing of anorexia nervo-The authors Wooley and Wooley say that for the first time "an cating disorder – anorexia

d in America. The sad lessons to learned from its success are clear. esity is experienced as tragic, and ople who feel themselves to be fat anoi desperate enough to try dangeror even life-threatening means No single method of slimming is a nerve

nacea, though many slow and the diets will work for some pple. Recent research suggests that people are not all gluttons but y have lower metabolic require-uts than thin ones; to complicate tters dieting itself may lower Hills & tabolic rates so that the poor ter has to endure progressively severe starvation to lose any ght. Long-term success rates are triting for all diets, which is why e is an optimistic market for any book on slimming.
In this atmosphere of sturm und

ng all earnest dieters should own east one book that debunks the ple business. There are cartoonks such as Erskine's The mate Fat Book with its horrid -jacuzzi full of piranha fish. in Jane Works Out is an antidote oo much Fonda

he best and funniest spoof is at the F-Plan or the Secret of the den Prune, ostensibly by Norah til with a foreword by Dr Frank mode. To its critics perhaps a lavatorial, it puts much-needed ince into a diet of slimming

volumes

 Mazel The Beverley Hills Diet (Sidgwick and Jackson £6.50)
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 Diet (George Allen and Unwin £1.95) Magic microalgae: useless.
 Stillman and Baker The Doctor's Quick Weight Loss Book (Pan £1.50) Protein and water: dangerous.
 Gatty The Body Clock Diet (Granada £1.50).
 Corlin and Miller The Scarsdale Nutritionist's Weight Loss Cookbook

Nutritionist's Weight Loss Cookbook (Futura £1.95) "Reduced calorie Gruyere-type American cheese". Sneddon The Natural Way to Slim Safely (Thorsons 85p) Myths about starch poisoning and liquids "diluting the gastric juices".

Norris About Slimming

(Thorsons 85p) From the same naturopath stable: encourages dangerous fasting. McGuinness and Greatbatch Housewife's Diet Book (Slimming Magazine/Fontana £1.25) All frozen

faggots and packet jelly. Taken with a pinch of salt Mary Ellen's Help Yourself Diet (Fontana £1.50), Chatty sell of walking as magic: not proven.

Myerson and Adler The I Love NY Diet (Sidgwick and Jackson £5.95). Pricy combination of

• All the exercise books by Fonda. Phillips, Green Goddesses and so on; also anything promising thin thighs in 30 days or skinny stomachs

behaviourism and a good diet:

in seconds. Low success rates

Orbach Fat is a Feminist Issue (Hamlyn £1.50). Liberal helpings of psychotherapy jargon.

Eyton F-Plan Dict (Penguin £1.95). Fibre is healthy but not very

slimming. Trimmer The Complete Book of Slimming and Diets (Piatkus £4.95). Too complete really, with

potentially dangerous diets.

Freemantle Slim for Life (OUP) £1.50). Full of arithmetic and angst. May be taken freely Slimming Magazine Slimming

the Complete Guide (Collins £6.95). Best calorie-counting charts around.

• Which? Way to Slim (Consumers' Association/Hodder and Stoughton £5.95). Solid. Rodin Controlling Your Weight (Century £2.95). Excellent. Cliff Parker How to Avoid Slimming (New English Library £1.75). Risqué jokes as a sauce for sound advice. Spira How to Lose Weight

without Really Dieting (Penguin

90p). Heavily biochemical but

Rachel Cullen reliable.

# ust they wait?

nen at work by looking at for mple, 40-year-olds in 1980 apared with 10, 20 or 30 years ier. It asks women what they is important in a job (in the Os women answered that queswith first being within easy ame. nd, having pleasant working panions); how much household they get (20 years ago twods of married working women ived help from their husbands

with the washing-up); and how employment affects them chologically. This last is the least arched area of women and doyment, and therefore promisbe one of the most interesting ions of the report.

ince the survey will provide such ful material for both employment cy-makers and for other rethers, the delay in its publion is regrettable. By comparison, results from the 1981 popu-

lation census - a much bigger undertaking - carried out on April 5, were available on June 30.

The 1980 survey and report will have cost between £300,000 and £350,000 when they are eventually published, which may be next ding to the Department of Employment, the delay is not because of political, but research, difficulties (which surely applies to every piece of research), and a spokesman justified the delay on the grounds that the department had many other pieces of research that were similarly late.

The survey has also not been widely publicized and therefore there is no public pressure to produce results. Nevertheless, it was designed to provide up-to-date information on women and employment if it is delayed much longer, it can hardly claim to do that.

**Alison Baines** 

they are clustered in a parrower range of occupations and generally employers and trade unions, for lack of a definitive argument based on substantial research into a large and representative sample of women, have to formulate policies using out of date or narrowly based research which can provide only hints and clues to the broader questions of why women work, what factors distinguish them at work from men, and under what circumstances these might change.

In fact these questions have already been asked of 5,500 women and 800 of their partners in a survey carried out by the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys.

be stringy. To remove the strings from the outer parts, cut

not quite through the bulb at

the top of each stalk so that the

strings are still attached to the

outer edge. Then pull the cut

section towards the root, taking

4 to 6 small builbs Florentine fennel

150ml (1/4 pint) water or light stock

dish. String the bulbs if need be,

Heat the oil in a frying or

and cut them in halves verti-

Salt and freshly ground black

the strings with it.

2 cloves garlic, peeled

2 tablespoons olive oil

Braised fennel

between April and June 1980, and the authors hoped to produce their report in 1982. But it remains unpublished. The only other similar survey is Services Co

Women constitute 40 per cent of the labour force but earn on average less than three-quarters of men's pay; nearly 20 years old. Apart from that, Research Co regularly updated government statlabour force in terms of how many women are employed in what sort of jobs and for how much money. This says little about the underlying reasons for the difference from men. By contrast, the women and employment survey asks women about their attitudes to work and their problems and conflicts, and also calls for a detailed work history which will reveal otherwise invisible patterns in women's employment.

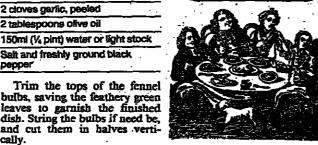
At present, information on women and work is derived from a variety of sources. Apart from surveys that continuously monitor the labour force, the Government. for the Department of Employment. funds research through grant-giving to do. It will The fieldwork was carried out quangos such as the Manpower compare diffe

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# Fennel fanfare

THE TIMES COOK



Shona Crawford Poole

4 tablespoons lemon juice

1/2 teaspoon fennel seeds

340g (12oz) in all

Salt and freshly ground black

2 bulbs Florentine fermal, about

8 small onions, about 450g (1ib) in

225g (8oz) tightly closed button mushrooms

Put the wine and water in a

large, heavy pan and add the

lemon juice, olive oil, garlic, bay leaf, coriander seeds, fennel

sauté pan and add the fennel cut side down, and the garlic, whole. Cook on a moderate heathearts are a good addition when for about 10 minutes, turning they are in season; celery can be the pieces to brown them well substituted for some or all of on both sides. the fennel if it is in short supply. Pour in the water or stock Fennel à la greque

taking care not to break the fennel. Stir the caramelized frying residues into the liquid. 300ml (1/2 pint) dry white wine the pan and simmer the 600ml (1 pint) water fennel for 30 minutes, or until it is tender and the liquid has reduced to a spoonful or two of 4 tablespoons olive oil 1 clove garlic, crushed. The fennel may take as long as an hour to cook if the bulbs are large, and more water can be Bay leaf

added to the pan if the sauce reduces too much before the vegetable is tender. Just before serving remove the garlic and sprinkle the cooked fennel with a few of its feathery green leaves, finely chopped. Braised fennel goes particularly well with grilled fish or roast chicken.

Mushrooms are not the only vegetable to cook à la grecque and serve cold as a salad. In this case the best-known dish is by no means the best: A mixture of onions and fennel with mushrooms is much more interesting, especially if the dish is to be salt. Bring to the boil, reduce esten on its own. Artichoke the heat and simmer for 10

minutes while you prepare the

Trim the tops of the fennel bulbs, reserving any feathery leaves to garnish the finished dish with. Cut each bulb vertically into quarters. Peel the onions and leave them whole. Wipe the mushrooms and trim the stalks level with the caps.

Add the fennel and onions to the liquid and simmer them for about 15 minutes. Add the mushrooms and continue simmening the vegetables for five minutes more. Sal pep 150 whit 2 tal ched

Drain the vegetables and arrange them in a serving dish. Strain the stock and return it to the pan. Boil it briskly until it has reduced to 300ml (1/2 pint) or less. Pour the reduced marinade over the vegetables and leave the dish in a cool place for 24 hours, turning the pieces from time to time. Sprinkle with finely chopped fennel leaves just before serv-

Braised chicory is another vegetable that can be unpleasant if it is be a it is badly cooked and unexpectedly good when well

The nutty taste of browned butter is such a pleasing element in the flavour of braised chicory that it would be a pity, in this case, to use margarine or oil.

Braised chicory Serves four 8 small or 4 large spears chicory

55g (2 oz) butter Salt and freshly ground black :1 tablespoon lemon juice

Trim the ends of the chicary spears and if you want to minimize the bitterness of the vegetable, use a sharp, pointed knife to cut out the heart of each spear by taking a conical core from the base.

Melt the butter in a heavy frying or sante pan and add the whole chicory spears. Turn them in the butter, cover the pan and cook the spears gently, seeds, black pepper and a little turning them from time to time. In 20 to 30 minutes, when the spears are tender, turn up the

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stupid: 90 per cent unsuccessful and

69 per cent not nice; 65 per cent unhappy; 60 per cent weak-willed; 54 per cent ugly, 55 per cent awkward. So much for the fat, jolly and popular stereotype! The control of obesity, is linked to the control of other eating disorders: while no one would suggest that

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Newly-opened government archives for 1953 reveal that Shirley Williams (then Caitlin) and Peter Parker

(lately chairman of British Rail) got

on the wrong side of Winston Churchill. That May Churchill wrote

to the BBC's Director-General. Sir

lan Jacob to complain about political bias on television. The

reason was the ubiquity of prospec-

tive Labour party candidates, especially Miss Caitlin and Mr

Parker, who were co-presenters of a

series called Our Concern is the

Future and, respectively. Labour

runners for Bedford and Harwich.

The BBC hierarchy, ultra-sensitive to such charges at a time when

independent television was being

discussed by the Cabinet, insisted

that it was more chance that Labour

candidates such as Aidan Crawley

and Norman MacKenzie were presenting programmes. As for Shirley and Peter, well they were on the screen because of "their out-

standing qualities as representatives

Eagle Star, all set to be taken over by

the tobacco giant BAT, does not

offer, unlike some other insurance

companies, more favourable terms

to non-smokers. "Each case is judged on its merits", says a spokesman for Eagle Star, "It might

well be that a non-smoker is highly

neurotic and thus in a bad state of

health. Our policy is that if any

smoker or non-smoker is in good

health, they will pay smaller

As is now customary, the BBC sent off a batch of videotapes for Christmas viewing at Chequers. Included were The Two Ronnies—which the Prime Minister likes within the confines of the BBC forms, but not fine the BBC forms.

format but not live at the Palladium,

where she considers their jokes too blue - a programme about Sir Ralph

Richardson. John Schlesinger's tele-vision film An Englishman Abroad.

in which Alan Bates plays a

drunken, vomiting Guy Burgess, and Gandhi. Sir Richard Atten-

horough's much-awarded film about

BARRY FANTONI

ARMY RECRUITMENT

"You realize, we don't run courses

on politics and economics as such\*

Disinformation has struck already.

Camden Arts Centre announced last month that "1984, An Exhibition"

would open on January i and

thereafter stay open from Monday to

Saturday. Acting on this advice, we listed the exhibition under "Today's events" in Monday's *Times* and sent

a photographer along to the arts

Appropriately in 1984, Dietrich

Bonhoeffer's The Way to Freedom is now displayed in Hatchards book-

Counsellors at Cruse, the national

organization for widows and their children, have received hostile

telephone calls from members of the

public who think they are promoting nuclear weapons rather than com-

fort for the bereaved. A cruse is a jar

for cooking oil mentioned in the

story about a widow in the Old Testament. It should not be

confused with cruise any more than

The most romantic travel brochure for 1984 is Pullman Holidays' "Just

for Two... "which offers everything

a loving couple may require in the way of candle-lit dinners in

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# Moral issue

Just before the general election, Roman Catholic priests in Frank Field's Birkenhead constituency received a letter from SPUC, the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children, which said that in the last Parliament he had voted against every attempt to change the law to stop abortion on demand, even voting against measures to stop abortion beyond 24 weeks. After the election. Field wrote to SPUC saying the letter was untrue and damaging and asking for a list of all the priests to whom it had been sent. He has since written twice more, but so far has received only an acknowledge-ment. "SPUC runs a moral campaign", says Field, "but its behaviour over this issue leaves something to be desired."

# The key

For some time prisoners of the committed to prison custody have in substantial numbers in police 1983 the average number of sud. was 280, the record 626.

was 280. the record 626.

I have repeatedly said that the highly undesirable. Police cells built to hold such prisoners. It causes hardship both to the prisoner their visitors, especially lawyers police resources are tied down.

That is why I decided last July practice should cease and set the dias a target for bringing it to an end was a demanding target, and me.

was a demanding target, and my were highly sceptical. Robert writing in *The Times* on Defendence welcomed the objective but asked to something more in the second second the objective but asked to something more in the second keep it? ... Something more imp more radical is needed.

The answer is that I do not this amnesty, to effect a measure of property in the less, by last Friday, all Frid were cleared of remand prisoners to prison custody by the courts.
How was this achieved? Hot problem arise in the first place aft. the prospects?

The problem arose mainly in & the South-east where the unconvicted prisoners had increedly in recent years. In the second 1983 there were over 300 more At the same time, key parts it at essential repairs and renove

Paul Routle

remand-cell reform

Leon Brittan, the Home Secretary, explains how he kept his promise on prisoners in police custody

vernment has now introduced nationally far the biggest programme this century maintenance, rebuilding and extending existing penal estate. But while the gramme goes on, it means we lose the use accommodation, notably about 450 cells. my holding more than one prisoner, at xton and Wormwood Scrubs.

How, then, have we attained the target? I to interfere with the penal pro Kilroy-Silk implies I should, by mply shifting the problem by adding such measures as early releganter to overcrowding in the prisons. rtunately, we have been able to avoid this bringing into use for sentenced prisoners commodation which was either new or theno could not be used to its full extent. his enabled unsentenced prisoners to be ansferred to accommodation previously sed by sentenced prisoners. It has involved radical restructuring of the functions of the ondon men's prisons.

Wormwood Scrubs is now the main mand prison for London, although certain prisoners in the South-east than the Megories of remand prisoners are still held Brixton. One wing of the training prison prisons have been taken out 1121 Coldingley. Surrey, is now used for

unsentenced prisoners from London. Also some civil prisoners have been transferred from Pentonville to Ashford Remand Centre and some short-sentenced men sent to training prisons wherever space could satisfactorily be found.

Together with the seasonal drop in the prison population, these and other measures have enabled us to achieve our immediate objective of clearing police cells of prisoners committed to custody by the courts.

In doing this, the Prison Service has achieved an outstanding result at a time when the system had already been under strain. But the long-term task is not over. We must expect the prison population to rise, as it usually does, during the period up to Easter. The Prison Service is now engaged in the difficult and major effort of seeking to absorb these additional pressures.

We shall be gaining accommodation at Albany and Lewes prisons and, most importantly, the renovated A Wing at the Scrubs. We are also considering further possibilities for better use of existing accommodation. The position will certainly be tricky for a few months to come. I cannot exclude the possibility of using police cells again if exceptional circumstances arise.

I am confident, however, that once the immediate period ahead of us is over, our more long-term policies will begin to have effect. Our prison-building programme, the reduction of the minimum qualifying period for parole, the other measures designed to divert some offenders from custody, all of these factors should ensure that the routine use of police cells for prison overflow remains a thing of the past.

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iews the election for NUM general secretary

# Who will share Scargill's mantle of power?

The miners go to the polls in two weeks to choose a new generic secretary for their union, and the election is increasingly being seen a test of popular support for the left wing policies of Arthur Scargill and his national executive.

The January 20 vote will be secret ballot at the pithead, and traditionally high poll of around aper cent is expected. The balls reaffirms the National Union of Mineworkers' long-standing con milment to the kind of democrat practices that the Government now legislating for the rest of labour movement.

Derbyshire miners' leader Pet Heathfield is the odds-on favouri! John Walsh, aged 46, area agent 9 North Yorkshire, is campaigning (2 a ticket of "negotiation not confro tation". He studied at Lee

that he could work with him. I sensus and seeks to isolate some of the men. Kelly, a pitman from Wak on the marginal right.

The miners of different from leadership at the top in the NUI on unbill struggle With Aged 49. Kelly is the only working an uphill struggle. With miner standing in the election. To weekends available for has been branch secretary at the presumed to the presume Point of Ayr colliery for more thiposure and the presumed

arity of the current overtime eight years. Heathfield has long been the le coost their appeal. Miners choice for general secretary, a ji more than £115m in wages which carries responsibility industrial relations issues. Tas intended to force up the timing of the ballot has board's "final" 5.2 per cent pay deliberately engineered to ens-

that he takes over from Lawren is arguing that before the Daly, who is retiring early at the lose any money through of 59. The winner of the election al action, they should be take office on March 1. The vd in a ballot. This view is next day is Heathfield's fifty-f

birthday, and under union rules would then be ineligible to run. This neat arrangement is unlike to tell against him. Heathfield popular figure in the NUM forceful, articulate and even hun ous public speaker at conferer and coalfield galas. But he co suffer from a protest vote against nationwide overtime ban, now intenth week, and against the h line, increasingly centralized styl the president with whom he closely associated.

Although the candidate of the: he now has a wider power base : being nominated by 11 of the coalfields, including such mode strongholds as Nottinghamshire Midlands. Leicestershire, Northumberland. He is car Heathfield: left-wing but very



University with Scargill and arguis appeal towards a broad-striking a sympathetic chord among

.The miners of today are very different from the downtrodden generation that staged the strikes of the early 1970s. To begin with, fewer than half of the existing labour force actually took part in those convulsive struggles, which are more remembered in the talk of retired colliers in the miners' clubs than in the pithead polling booths. Today's coal face worker is a £9,000-a-year man with many of the bourgeois trappings that go with that kind of money. There is a more mercenary outlook in the industry, and it is therefore remarkable that the NUM has been able to sustain an overtime ban for nearly three months at a cost of up to £40 a week per man in lost

wages. Other factors are also at work. Many thousands of older miners have expressed a desire to take voluntary redundancy, worth up to £42,000 spread over the years to retirement age. They too may react against the implacable policy of the left of "no pit closures, no manpower reductions".

Lingering memories of Scargill's attack on the Polish trade union Solidarity at the last Labour Party conference could deliver votes to the Walsh camp, which is already expecting to draw a strong Catholic

vote.
With two moderates seeking to exploit discontent with Scargill policies, there is an obvious prospect political strategy.

that the anti-left vote will be split as it was in the presidential election two years ago - leaving Heathfield a clear run. The only serious question he can match the 70 per cent electoral landslide recorded by

Scargill when he won the presidency. What would a Scargill-Heathfield leadership look like? One thing is certain: it would be less of the oneman band than the union has appeared to be in recent months. It said that Heathfield did not challenge Scargill for the presidency on the understanding that he would become general secretary. He is his own man, and would not be content to live in the Scargill shadow.

The union rulebook confers equal status on the two full-time national officials. Strength of personality determines who is first among equals, though it is unlikely they would engage in a futile battle of wills. Futhermore, as more than one occupant of the post has pointed out, there are actually three national officials: as well as the president and general secretary there is a vicepresident, a lay office currently belonging to Michael McGahey, communist leader of the Scottish

The election of Heathfield would create a left-wing troika not matched elsewhere in the labour movement. It would also be interpreted by them as a vote of confidence in the NUM's current industrial and

# Wherezhnev failed, Britain steps in

Britain is quietly emerging as prime architect and mover benment, its revolution en-United Nations peace initiativhed, was ready to return to the the Gulf war, potentially the national fold after a long self-dangerous of the model.

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filling the void that exists in Lan's more open policy. The
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b of Jordan (then president of the In essence the French believurity Council), drafted a resolution of the right of navi-In essence the French believurity Council), drafted a resolution's revolutionary governo affirming the right of naviwill at least partly fulfision through all waterways in the prophecies of doom for their. The language of the resolution while the British believe the certain to provoke Iran's Khomeini regime is becoming ction, although Iran had exmoderate.

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Despite their new relationship at the UN, Britain and Iran are still in dispute over the level of represen-tation in each other's capital. Neither country has an ambassador to the other. The British Embassy in Tehran (one of the grandest buildings in the city, reflecting a time when Iran was very much within the British sphere of influence) now flies the Swedish flag. The minister bears the title "Charge

d'Affaires, British interest section,

eventually overruled by a majority.

Swedish Embassy". A wing of the embassy was badly damaged by fire when it was stormed in 1978.

In London, the Iranian embassy has been a charred shell since the SAS rescue of the staff from terrorists in 1980. Both countries are claiming compensation for the

Yet this does not prevent their missions from carrying on commer-cial affairs. Britain's mission in Tehran is very commercially orientated. In the first six months of 1983 Britain's exports to Iran amounted to £330m, the best figures since the revolution. But this is merely

groundwork. If there is a ceasefire, which would allow both sides to rearm, the Iranians will be seeking vast quantities of aircraft, tanks and guns. They are unlikely to buy Russian as they are not used to

closed-door session. Britain was Soviet equipment; they will not buy American and the French have ruined their chances by their pro-Iraqi stance. The British are privately hoping the orders will

come their way. The debate on whether Iran's periodic show of interest in a peaceful solution to the war is real or tactical does not bother the British peace initiative at the UN. British diplomats there are said to believe that once Iran's government feels less isolated, its conciliatory messages may turn into practical measures.

The effort has received private encouragement from some Arab states which, while fearful of Iran's export of Shia fundamentalism, would not look forward, either, to an Iraqi victory which would allow Baghdad to dominate the region. Their fears may also be echoed by the superpowers, which would not want either of these independentminded and unpredictable regimes to become the local heavyweight. Neither the US nor the Soviet Union may have yet finally decided whether it is better to have them at peace or at war with each other.

If Britain's initiative against the war is to make headway it will have to encompass more interested rties than the bellicose spirits of

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# Yes, managing director

The speciacle of horrid French milk being shipped back home will, I am sure, have given widespread satisfaction, and not only in the milking parlours of the West Country. For my part I have never been able to see much wrong with UHT milk; and if this French stuff is so awful that Mr Peter Walker's dogs turn up their noses at it (as he assured us was the case when he presided over Agriculture) then it is not immediately apparent why we should need the official analysis to protect us from consuming it. But the great thing is that we are paying off the French in their own coin for once.

Trust the French, we are regularly told to permit Japanese videos to enter the country only through Pointers (to the discomfiture of French importers, and to no tangible advantage to any French producers, since they don't make videos, but no matter): they know how to bend the rules, whereas we are the suckers who always play the game. Well, not as far as milk is concerned. Hurray! One person who will not

apparently. be joining in the congratulations to Mr Michael Jopling the Minister of Agriculture. is Mr Christopher Hogg of Courtaulds. If all the members of the cabinet had textile mills instead of farms, he reckons. "they would have a completely different set of priorities. Perhaps but then that would not be allowed.

Many years ago, when the late Ernest Marples was Minister of Transport: I had to accompany a party of visiting French parliamen-tarians on their way from Heathrow to central London. We passed a hoarding announcing that the firm of Marples Ridgeway was undertak-ing improvements of a section of the motorway. The French were fasci-nated. "Even in France", they exclaimed. "we wouldn't allow that". I hastened to assure them that Mr Marples had had to dispose of his shares in the business which bore his name before he took up office. I am not sure that they believed me: and if I had added that had Mr Marples's interest been in a farm instead of a construction company, he could have kept it and taken any post on offer, including that of Agriculture, no doubt their sceptism would have been reinforced.

There are all sorts of plausible explanations for the special exception to the rules governing ministerial interests made in favour of farm ownership. But that it may occasionally encourage what Mr Hogg calls "complacency and comfort" towards the farming industry might be difficult to gainsay.

It is not, however, the only blurred area on the rules concerning potential conflicts of interest in Whitehall. As an aid to digestion over Christmas I have been re-reading the report which the Commons Treasury Committee produced three years ago about Acceptance of outside appointments by Crown Servants. The committee drew attention to the fact Quis custodier ipsos custo that during the eight years to 1980 mains a pertinent question.

former civil servants had asked permission to take up more than 500 appointments in business and only

nine had been turned down. It was also concerned that the special vetting committee which advises the Prime Minister about applications from the most senior public servants was made up of a former Labour cabinet minister, an accountant, a former Tory cabinet minister who happened to have spent long years as a civil servant, a field marshal and two former top mandarins.

The committee felt this was all a bit too cosy. It quoted a comment by Nicholas Ridley, the present Minister of Transport, who had claimed at a session of an earlier select committee that he had once been given "biased advice" by a civil servant who had been "promised a job after retirement". It suggested that, among other things, it would be reassuring if parlimentary select committees could, on request, be told - in confidence - about the grounds which had led the vetting committee, or ministers, as the case might be, to approve or reject a particular application. It also suggested that the vetting committee should cease to contain "a preponderant number of those whose main careers have been in the public service"; and that there might be legal penalties for businesses which took on former public servants without the proper clearance.

Whitehall, it seems, was not amused. The late Lord Armstrong, grandest of all the mandarins of the 1970s vintage, had warned the readers of The Sunday Times that if prime ministerial dictatorship could force a retiring civil servant not to take a particular job, no one would ever join the Civil Service

The then Minister of State for the Civil Service, in his evidence to the committee, did not go as far as that. He trotted out the familiar line about the contribution which those with experience in public administration" could make to commerce; and he pointed out that if the worry was about ex-civil servants abusing confidential information, "as I think it must be", then that applied to former ministers as well.

But - as the committee clearly implied in its report - that is not the real worry at all. The real worry is the one that Nicholas Ridley put his finger on: that senior public servants may be encouraged to tip their hats to potential sugar daddies by the award of post-retirement favours to those who went before them. And to that there was, and remains, a deafening silence.

The committee did, it seems, receive a planned and nugatory reply of sorts to its report from the Government. But this was never published; and nothing more has happened. Now that the Treasury and Civil Service Committee has at long last been reconstituted it could do worse than pick up the dessier for a new - and perhaps a wider - look. Quis custodiet ipsos custodes? re-

# Paul Jennings

# No hand signals, writing a funny

There is something fundamentally of you after following you for three touching, a rudimentary desire to reach out and communicate, about those legends you see on car windscreens, usually the names of couples such as Bert and Cheryl or, as I saw the other day, Kevin and

Vacant. No doubt you can buy the stickon letters at any accessories shop, and it is of purely personal significance that the only place where I have ever actually seen them displayed for sale was a garage near Trieste. It did seem more natural, in that land of smiling communicators, that Luigi and Dorabella, or Paolo and Francesca, should want everyone to know them at least by name. As it happened, we were on our way from making a tremendous communication with the Mahler Second at Bolzano, in their splendid cathedral, to making no communication with it at all in Trieste in a

strange open-air semi-castle: The musical folk of Trieste Are seldom, if ever, impressed And Mahler, alfresco In some place like a Tesco

Will certainly not pass the test -not even if our coach had said Ron and Elaine and Hannah and John and John and John and Kate and Fiona and Peter and Nella and Heidi and so on, round all the windows about three times.

Of course music is the communicative art, and it would be fun to escape from the loneliness of even the short-distance motorist with some such legend as Tristan and Isolde, or Daphnis and Chloe, or Acis and Galatea. (My friend the tenor Neil Jenkins swears that once when he was in a performance of this ravishing Handel work in America the posters said Acis and Gala Tea, and lots of blue-rinsed ladies turned up very indignant that there wasn't any tea, gala or

What does seem extraordinary is that in this age when there is so much sophisticated electronic and other gadgetry available, these letters are as far as we have got in spelling out any kind of message to other

As a matter of fact the windscreen would not be the best place for them. It is really at the rear or sides of the car that one would like to cause messages to appear in those rather beautiful, official-looking letters, whether by electronic or purely mechanical means, something analogous to that awful rollerand Richard Dowden back of police cars that nip in front miles and says Police Stop.

I am not thinking of the merely angry messages that all motorists at some time wish to send to each other, such as Look, it's a green arrow here, not a round red light, get on with it; or Come on you old fool stop wrestling with the gears; or Don't give a signal, will you!; or All right cowboy, go on and kill yourself. All these messages can be conveyed by simple facial expressions or appropriate gestures.

I am thinking of more complicated but necessary messages, messages that would explain situations, defuse crises - in short, communicate. For instance, I often want to get to Suffolk from Tottenham Court Road. This means turning right at the end of it into Euston Road, and before I get to the next lights I simply have to merge into the solid stream coming up from the underpass on my off-side (composed almost entirely of taxis) otherwise I shall be forced to turn left into wild, unknown Camden or Kentish Town territory. How I wish I could display the legend Please let in, going to Suffolk.

Knowing how impatient I get with people who can't drive at a constant speed, how I now wish I had been able to explain my own recent speedings and slowings by a sign at the back: Sorry, damned alternator red light won't go out, something wrong there, battery not being charged, but can make it go out if take it by surprise, vary engine speed, declutch then rev up like lunatic like this: probably only brushes, but blighters won't sell just new brushes now, probably means whole new alternator. This would be rather a long message, but in a crowded street the man behind me would have plenty of time to read it before finally being able to pass me.

Then there are things like Sorry stranger to area, where the hell is Petrie Avenue, isn't it maddening the way they put street names facing the way you've just come not the way you're going?

Or Look, I'm not going to scrape your nearside wing, there are two lanes here, if we all did this the traffic would move twice as fast wouldn't it?
And (too often in my case) Handbrake only works on last notch if then, even though big service only month ago. I'm pretty smart at heel-and-toe hill take-off but please

forgive if I stall...
Well, it would be more fun than Bert and Cheryl.

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# LEBANON'S VICIOUS CIRCLE

The turn of the year has been marked by renewed and audible jitters about the future of the Multinational Force (MNF) in Lebanon among the political elites of the participating countries. In Italy President Pertini has twice made public his personal view - he charmingly disclaims the intent "to exercise any sort of influence on the government" - that the Italian contingent should be withdrawn. In the United States the Pentagon report on the October 23 disaster (in which 241 American marines died) has advocated "reexamination of alternative means of achieving United States objectives in Lebanon"; three former directors of the CIA and Mr Walter Mondale have promptly followed suit

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The French Government, while constantly proclaiming that its commitment in Lebanon is unchanged and unflinching. managed to precipitate three days of fierce fighting in Beirut by its untimely handover of two sensitive positions to the Lebanese army on Christmas Eve, and has now announced the "reallocation" of 482 soldiers from the MNF to Unifil, the United Nations force in south Lebanon which has had no obvious function since the Israelis overran its positions in June 1982. Meanwhile in London Mr Denzil Davies, shadow Defence Minister, has called on the government to summon an urgent meeting of all four MNF countries to consider withdrawal.

None of the four governments concerned is actually on the point of withdrawing, but all four would dearly like to get their forces out if they could do so with honour, and are desperately hoping that circumstances will permit them to do so before. too long. That is nothing to be ashamed of. No government can be expected to enjoy exposing its troops to the kind of risks they

are running in Beirut, or can find it easy to explain to public opinion at hot a exactly what. they are achieving there. Pressure for withdrawal is bound to increase so long as there is no clearly defined common political strategy within which the MNF can operate. It is becoming more and more obvious that at present no such strategy exists.

The immediate task of the MNF is "to assist the Lebanese government and the Lebanese armed forces in the Beirut area"; its broader purpose is to help the government recover full sovereignty over Lebanese territory and secure the withdrawal of all foreign forces. But this latter mission has always been conceived by the participating powers in political rather than military terms. They are not prepared to undertake the task of expelling either Israeli or Syrian forces from Lebanon manu militari. The hope is, or was, that the presence of the MNF would help to create political conditions in which Syrian and Israeli withdrawal could be obtained by diplomacy.

Among those conditions the all-important one is the existence of a Lebanese governemt capable both of enforcing its authority and of articulating a genuine Lebanese national will. That condition remains unfulfilled, and many people have become convinced that it is unfulfillable so long as the foreign forces are there. If that is accepted, Lebanon is caught in a vicious circle from which there is no escape, and the MNF participants should face up to a stark choice between forcible "liberation" of the entire country, followed by an occupation of undetermined length, and pulling out to let partition take its course. Given the enormous cost and unpredictable consequences of the first option, there can be little doubt that they would choose the

second.

well aware of that. It is up to them if they wish to avoid partition (or to reverse it, formany aspects of it are already there) to prove the premise wrong. Two months ago they seemed to be making a start when their leaders met in Geneva and agreed that Lebanon was an Arab country. That may seem like stating the obvious but, as the Syrian president says in the interview which we publish on another page, it had become "a real political problem". In his view, shared by some of the Lebanese, the May 17 agreement with Israel "strips Lebanon of its Arab identity because it amounts to a separate peace with Israel.

As matters stand, Israel will not withdraw if the May 17 agreement is not implemented, and Syria will not withdraw if it is. The Lebanese leaders at Geneva sought to break this deadlock by seeking Israeli withdrawal on terms which would guarantee Israel's military security on her northern frontier ("peace in Galilee") without requiring political concessions that Lebanon by itself is not strong enough to make. President Gemayel was supposed to enlist the help of Washington in this enterprise, but by the time he got there he had apparently lost his nerve, for he announced that he had come to discuss the "implementation" of the May 17 agreement. Not surprisingly, that was seen as a betrayal by those with whom he had negotiated at Geneva, and so far he has not been able to reassemble them for another round of talks.

Yet those talks remain the only hope of bringing the MNF mandate to a successful conclusion and it is vital that they resume soon. The May 17 agreement is not an end in itself: it was intended as a means to the end of bringing peace to Lebanon and security to her freighbours. If that end can be better The Lebanese parties must be served by other means no true friend of Lebanon should object.

# MUCH TOO GOOD TO DISCARD

Of all the multifarious services sisted that it sought to "stimulate" three roles is at the heart of its and disservices lavished on the the historical and social concitizens by the Greater London science of London about the is not a labour of detached one which attracts no censure, But while the Government's yet half completed - its inplans to reorganize metropolitan terpretation of that task has government seem likely to leave some of the most controversial civic empires relatively intact. the inoffensive and irreplaceable GLC Historic Buildings Division is threatened with being disembered and scattered into thirty or more fragments.

It is true that the division did not fit easily into the Government's plans, as expressed in last October's white paper, to "streamline" metropolitan government by a procedure modelled on that by which Henry VIII streamlined Anne Boleyn. The division is anomalous through and through, cutting across administrative, territorial and conceptual distinctions in a way which could only have been evolved, never invented. But it is acknowledged to be one of the great successes of British scholarship and town planning, and the factors which make it so seem inextricably connected with its hybrid nature.

At the outset it was a chronicling body – but more claims to be regarded as a body than that, a campaigning chronicle. The very first volume, published in 1900, of its monumental Survey of London in-

grown steadily deeper and more

complex. Secondly, as servant of a council which is owner and occupier of 1,000 listed buildings of all periods, it has built up the diverse specialist skills needed to service them. Thirdly, its preeminent experience in its own field caused the Government in 1968 to give it most of the statutory powers over historic metropolitan buildings and areas that are exercised elsewhere by the Sec-

retary of State. To discharge this triple function the division has developed into an organization with about 40 professional specialists, which has no equal anywhere in the country. In effect it is the principal institution in Britain for specialist training in these skills, and its standing gives it an informal leading role in the interchange of knowledge with the relatively limited civic bodies existing elsewhere. These aspects of its activity give it

of its work in London itself.

The interplay between its

Council, there is perhaps only thoughtlessness and greed which scholarship, but a werking docuwere destroying its heritage of ment serving the division's role raises no partisan hackles, and historic buildings. In the years in conservation and its use of its basks in praise from every side. since then - for the Survey is not development powers. Its London-wide scope gives perspective and Nato's INF (intermediate to its judgments.

The white paper took just ten lines to sort out this irritating side-issue. The Survey would go to the Historical Monuments Commission, whose labours of detached scholarship elsewhere in Britain have long been the dull foil against which the Survey shines so bright. The planning control powers would go to Whitehall, and all the rest would pass to the boroughs, to be sustained as efficiently as the resources and interest of each borough might dictate.

There is no comfortable place in the plans for any solution safeguarding the division's special virtues, though retention under a joint board, partly elected and with precepting powers, might provide the basis for a reprieve. But the implications go wider: the fact that the division could be so cursorily treated as no more than an egg that had to be broken to make Mr Jenkin's civic omelette indicates the superficiality of a plan that scarcely acknowledges London as an entity or gives thought to the needs and nature of metropolitan areas.

# **CHILE HITS ROCK BOTTOM**

In recent weeks General Pinochet has faced mounting criticism of CNI, his security agency. His new copper law has been denounced as an anti-national gamble. His plans for a slow return to incomplete democracy appear as yet another attempt to restrict the opposition to a manipulable formula: whatever their intentions they are clearly unworkable. One concession the regularisation of \ by-political activity next year - is not much more than a recognition of what has already occurred. There has been increased terrorist activity, though it is not clear from what quarter, and now comes new anti-terrorist legislation. The extreme left has decided that only violence can remove the regime.

But some things still favour the General. The opposition is still divided. It cannot agree on a leader, and there is still rivalry between some of those recently returned from exile. Nor can it agree on policy towards the Communist Party (which was by no means the most extreme element in Salvadore Allende's government of Unidad Popular). eloquent figures of recession and lation alone.

Some wish to include the Communists in a wider Democratic Alliance, some to give them some participation and others to give them no share at all. These divisions go deep, and the government exploits them.

Nor is the opposition united on the destiny of General Pinochet himself. Should he be persuaded to go now, or should e be allowed a period in which he might reign rather than rule? Many on the right who are unhappy with the economic policies of the "Chicago Boys" remain content with General Pinochet himself as the symbol of law and order. Acts of terrorism will only confirm them in their lovalty.

If the failure of an economicpolicy necessarily destroys the government responsible General Pinochet would have left the scene some time ago, but one of his strengths may now be that the economy has hit something like rock-bottom and cannot fall any further. His government appears to have no formula for recovery, and few other countries even today can show such

crisis: a third of the work force unemployed, gdp down by 14 per cent, industrial production nearly one third down on 1971, a banking system in complicated ruin, and a foreign debt of \$18,000 million. What has survived this catastrophe may well be capable of surviving anything, and in that sense the worst may now already have occurred. Chileans are also aware that their country simply does not have the economic weight to strike hard bargains with the rest of the world. Chile's foreign debt is proportionately the largest in Latin America but in absolute terms relatively small.

Poor economic relations with Argentina were one cause for muted Chilean reaction to the victory of Senor Alfonsin, There are also fundamental differences between the Chilean and the Argentine armed forces. In more than a decade General Pinochet has faced no significant challenge from that quarter. His strictly military intelligence is said to be very good. But his problems are clearly mounting and will not be contained by anti-terrorist legis-

# LETTE

### US withdrawal from Unesco

From Mr W. A. C. Mathieson Sir, As the British national elected by the General Conference in a personal capacity to be a member of the executive board of Unesco from 1968 to 1974. I wish generally to endorse your comment (leader, December 30) on the United States declaration of withdrawal. But it is facile to load the blame on the Director-General. He is the servant as well as the guide of member

states.

Mr Mbow would not claim to have inherited the brilliant intellec-tual arrogance of his predecessor, Rene Maheu, but he is an honest sensitive and thoughtful man. The balance of his judgment may have been affected by the sycophancy of those he incautiously employed. However, the quality of the pro-gramme of the organization depends more on the purposeful input of delegations than on the pre-conceptions of the secretariat.

The final disenchantment of the United States is more attributable to the abysmal quality of its represen-tation in the 70s than to the hostility of the third world. Yours faithfully W. A. C. MATHIESON,

13 Sydney House, Woodstock Road, Bedford Park, W4. December 30.

### Balance of arms

From Mr Peter Foster

Sir, The nuclear debate continues to go round in circles. In the light of Professor Neild (December 19) on Ronald Butt (feature, December 15) may I offer the following simple propositions:

a) If Nato were technically and financially able to upgrade its conventional defence against a possible conventional attack by the Warsaw Pact, that would desirably raise the nuclear threshold. b) But it would not dispose of the

need for nuclear deterrence, because no non-nuclear power or alliance can resist a determined nuclear power without its own credible nuclear back-up.

c) The deployment of cruise and Pershing missiles - a Europeanbased intermediate-range response to the Soviet SS20s targeted on Western Europe — is necessary to reinforce the credibility of American

nuclear support for Nato.
d) The ideal solution would be a rough conventional balance (by an enhancement of Nato's defensive capability and/or a reduction of the Warsaw Pact's offensive potential) together with the abolition of nuclear weapons worklwide.

e) Realistically, all we can hope for in the foreseeable future is a mitigation of Nato's conventional inferiority, so reducing its dangerous dependence on early recourse to a nuclear counter-strike, accompanied by a balanced reduction, if possible nuclear force) armouries and a similarly balanced reduction of Soviet and American strategic (inter-

continental) armouries.

As I understand it, this is precisely what our much-maligned American friends are trying to achieve.

Yours faithfully, PETER FOSTER Rew Cottage, Abinger Common, Nr Dorking, Surrey. December 20.

# Threat to woodlands

From Mr Quentin C. B. Cronk Sir, Your Agricultural Correspondent today (December 22, 1983) notes the publication of Mr Richard Grove's book, The Future for Forestry. Mr Grove comments on the increasing destruction of ancient woodland and the deterior ting relationship between forestry and nature conservation. He also adroitly exposes the "grants merry-go-round" which leads to the frittering away of Government money in tying the hands of conservation bodies.

hands of conservation bodies.

At least since the publication of Dr Oliver Rackham's book, Ancient Woodland, we know that such woodlands are not only important archaeological remnants of medieval woodmanship rich in flora and fauna, but that they are impossible

to recreate artificially.

Is it not time seriously to consider planning controls for the country-side which will prevent Govern-ment-aided destruction of sites of special scientific interest against the best interests of the nation, either by the Forestry Commission or other financially interested parties? Yours truly,:

QUENTIN C. B. CRONK eckhampton House. Grange Road, Cambridge, December 22

### Fitzgerald's initiative From Mr James Boyes

Sir, Many will have been encouraged by Dr. Garret Fitzerald's article, "Terror: let's fight it together" (December 23). Never before has a (December 23). Never before has a prime misrister of the Irish Republic spoken out so decisively against the enemy which Keland and Britain now share in common.

His plea for a united front in the face of terrorism that now threatens the Republic as much as Northern

face of terrorism that now threatens the Republic as much as Northern Ireland and mainland Britain is a significant step forward; and how refreshing to sear an Irish prime minister taking British secretaries of state to task for their misguided policy of maintaining contacts with the IRA and Sinn Fein.

But Dr Fitzerald's investing applied

But Dr Fitzgerald's intiative could be more than a timely response to an immediate threat. Could it not be also the beginning of a way forward toward an ultimate solution of the whole Irish problem? It is generally acknowledged that

### Upholding From the Chief of

Salvation Army Sir, One of the land social history was the age of consent at 16 my predecessors as Army's Chief of Booth Booth, supported journalist, W. T. campaign. Parliam wisdom and coura protect young people

themselves, but exploitation of other The fact that the in legislation app upheld in this gen grave cause for co because of any ro maintain a posi achieved, but beca observe happening continue to have a the needs of you context of the experience ranges cross-section of soc One of the lesso

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### **Future of Air** From the Chairm League

Sir, I am writing arguments of the Society of British panies in his letter December 12 supp project European aerospa

in the forefront progress, despite b and deploying resources compare There is, therefore European industry knowledge, the skilled mannower structure needed to and manufacture ai compete technolog best the US industry

There is a distin the A320 project do the across the boar the UK acrospace particular the design be eroded. This we larly unfortunate a the design and engi of Europe, and in one of Europe's maj in a labour intensiv

Europe will face competition from d tries and only limit

### Naval prioriti From Vice-Admira Bailly

Sir, I write in re Defence Correspo ("Navy has an admi frigates", December answers given in the Minister of State

It is wholly misk without qualification senior officers in a fighting Services w of sailors, soldiers Army is labour-into is capital intensive Air Force probabl where in between, sending, as it does, country's young me in highly sophis

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with my Director, would have been ec suggest that, as ne other Assistant Di sailors serving us d should have been

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rorism and all that it stands for.

urs faithfully. MES BOYES. Linver Road

# THE EDITOR

the potential increase in abortion contraception being withheld. That did happen we believe that it would temporary, price to pay for ensuring the small, and perhaps even the small properties whose output the properties whos temporary, price to pay for ensuring the greater involvement of parents

We need to consider the possible We need to consider the possible consequences, but concentration on the negative may deprive us of seeing the positive that could ensue society in this way. It is imperative that we recognise that once again we social history of our nation. Social history of our nation.

With the introduction a year ago of self-certification of fitness for work, the medical profession revised in employer-

ris involvement in employer-employee relations and it seems that commerce and industry have bene-fited. We might profit from that experience and relate it to another relationship - that between parent and child. As with self-certification the medical profession might assist society as a whole and family life in particular by standing back, not altogether just a little, in order to clarify and strengthen the role of clarify and strengthen the role of

Parents may find it difficult within an atmosphere of freedom to assume responsibilities that are placed upon them, but that is no reason not to set a standard towards which all of us should endeavour to strive. The Salvation Army will continue to play its part toward that

Yours faithfully, CAUGHEY GAUNTLETT, Chief of the Staff, The Salvation Army, 101 Queen Victoria Street, EC4. December 21.

from developed countries. It is in fact a part of the technological investment which Britain and the rest of Europe has laboriously and painfully built up and without which the prospects for the future will be

The potential market is clear when one realizes that European airlines carry nearly half of the Western world's international air traffic, compared with just under 20 per cent carried by American airlines. Further, only about 45 per centre of airline traffic is in the USA while 25 per cent is in Europe, and more than one third of the Western world's demand for short-medium haul aircraft carrying 200 passengers of less is accounted for by European

The contribution of the UK erospace industry to the country's balance of trade has been enormous, with exports in excess of £20bn over he past decade (at 1980 prices). The ndustry is prepared to invest in the 320 but needs Government suport to launch the programme. The Air League believe that this support hould be given and is confident that the tax-payer.

ours faithfully. . E. HENDERSON, Chairman. The Air League, Hamilton Place, W1. December 29.

ers which can, uniquely, occur in a varship subjected to the cruelties of e sea and of war at sea.

We are fortunate in the United lingdom that the imbalance to sich your correspondent refers is er smaller than in either the French, e United States or indeed the oviet navies, where all engineers re in uniform. Instead we have the loyal Corps of Naval Constructors nd the Royal Naval Engineering ervice to help us. But they would gree that the input of seagoing sperience during the design process essential to achieving that degree operational readiness after which

ll strive. In fact a smaller Fleet needs more dent at the top. Plans are more ifficult to contrive. Operations are to be conducted with smaller argins. Priorities have to be argued overcoming the whims of oliticians. Of course, as a Fleet is duced so the essential overheads up in proportion. DUIS LE BAILLY.

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### enny-pinching rom Mrs Priscilla Glover

r. Some may dispute the "round-g-up" or down, of the halfpenny in, but let not its existence be It is indispensable for levelling off ndulum clocks. burs faithfully.

RISCILLA GLOVER. int House, Lansdowne Avenue, Cross, Winchester.

mmon struggle against a common emy. Under its impetus leaders in itain and Northern Ireland must willing to enter into some sort of ig-term undertaking for the unity Ireland; and leaders in the public must be willing to arantee all appropriate rights for otestants in the North and nstitutional changes as necessary. This would not be a disguised

tory for the IRA. Indeed the ole basis on which an agreement uld be forged, and a condition for would be the total eradication of

Dr Fitzgerald seems to be offering new way forward. Rock-ribbed position to any progressive inge, whether on the Unionist of the Republican side, should not tolerated any longer.

sons Green, SW6.

# es on age of consent When the press

From Mr Duncan Campbell Sir. Writing about The Guardian's recent legal case. Mr Bernard Levin (feature, December 30) took a sideswipe at those "investigative" reporters whose output he evidently dislikes, including myself.

His article attempted to suggest

His article attempted to suggest His article attempted to suggest that such reporting derives largely or entirely from the reproduction of stolen government documents. This is a pejorative, and in fact quite false, representation of the fashionable "mole" theory of journalism to wit, that all exposes result from the wit, that all exposes result from the copious and accurate help of high-level informants of the "Deep Throat" calibre.

"Deep Throats" do not exist for the most part; uncovering secret Government deceptions, be they about the level of phone tapping or the occurrence of nuclear accidents. depends 99 per cent on the exhaustive analysis of non-confidential material, spiced only by a few facts, usually partial and unconfirmed by documents, from within Whitehall's citadel.

So well do the Government's own security sleuths know this that they attempted in 1979 to criminalise attempted in 1979 to criminatise such research by creating a new so-called "jigsaw puzzle" offence whose alleged mischief lay in piecing together from quite public sources information which, put together, might reveal something of such matters as phone tapping or letter matters as phone tapping or letter

The purpose of this grotesque new provision (contained in the Protection of Official Information Bill, whose failure to pass into law I celebrate as much as Mr Levin does) was to try and criminalise such investigations as they are actually done, by hard work - and not as Mr Levin imagines they are done, by receiving wheelbarrow loads of confidential papers from imaginary

'tiny trots" in the Defence Ministry. Mr Levin's outlook is well illustrated by his view that it is only those officials who leak to left-wing journalists who may be portrayed as a crowd of "tiny trots". When public officials betray their employers' trust to right-wing writers such as Chapman Pincher they are, instead, "trusted" confidants. Yours,

DUNCAN CAMPBELL New Statesman, 14-16 Farringdon Lane, ECI. December 30.

# Incidence of cancer

From Dr F. J. C. Millard Sir, Bernard Levin writes marvel-lously well (December 22) but does it really matter whether four kings or 104 did or did not die from the effects of smoking, or that the Secretary of Ash, whoever he may

be, has made a foolish mistake? During the past year I have seen 103 patients with cancer of the lung. Forty-six are dead, four more will almost certainly die during the Christmas holiday, and in three years time there are likely to be only five or six left alive. These figures are similar to those from any other centre which deals with this distressing disease.

Of course I cannot prove that smoking hass caused cancer in an individual patient any more than I can be certain that if Mr Levin became a stunt man and tried shooting Niagara in a barrel he would dash his brains out on the rocks below.

He might get away with it, but it is reasonable to suppose that he would have an increased risk of sudden death, and if he does it often enough he will almost certainly come to a sticky end.

I note that Mr Levin does not smoke himself. Could he be persuaded to write an article which would encourage others to follow his example? Yours faithfully,

F. J. C. MILLARD, St James' Hospital, Sarsteld Road, Balham, SW12 December 24.

# In the here and now

From Mr F. W. H. Loudon Sir. The sparrow passant theory of existence, as repeated by Mr Butt existence, as repeated by Mr Butt (features, December 22) is ornithologically doubtful as sparrows normally go out by the small hole through which they have come in. It might support theories of rebirth but headles Charten hardly a Christian view of progress. Whether, or not, and how the

bishops and curates of the Church of England, or of any other denomination, can help clouds of sparrows towards a tiny hole at the far end of the hall has not been elucidated. That they certainly should so do is an axiom propounded at needless length by the Bishop of Lincoln (December 24).

Like most things it is a question of balance and Mr Butt was only pointing out that present ecclesiastical fashion tends towards the furniture of the hall rather than towards the owner. Yours faithfully.

F. W. H. LOUDON.

Little Olantigh, Wye, Ashford, Kent. December 24.

December 23.

# Preserving buildings

From Mr Douglas B. Hague Sir. Mr Clive Aslet (December 23) makes a reasonable point, and there were people before buildings, but nevertheless one must avoid mawkish sentimentality.

Here in Wales, when involved in

any attempt to save a building, a considerable body of public support can be assured if it can be established that a Welsh hymn has been composed within its walls. Yours faithfully, DOUGLAS B. HAGUE. Maesglas, Llanafan, Aberystwyth, Dyfed.



# **COURT AND SOCIAL**

### COURT CIRCULAR

CLARENCE HOUSE January 3: Mrs Patrick Campbell-Preston has succeeded Ruth, Lady Fermoy as Lady-in-Waiting to Queen Mother

KENSINGTON PALACE
January 3: The Princess Margaret,
Countess of Snowdon, as President
of the National Society for the
Prevention of Cruelty to Children,
this afternoon received, at Kensington Palace, the first donation to the
Society Contingent Appeal Society's Centenary Appeal.

The Hon Mrs Whitehead was in

Company of Watermen and Lighter-nen of the River Thames on the occasion of the reopening of Watermen's Hall. 18 St Mary-at-Hill, London, EC3 on February 14.

A service of thanksgiving for the life of the Hon Nancy FitzRoy will be held at Chelsea Old Church, Cheyne Walk, at noon tomorrow.

A memorial service for Launa Lady Pease will take place in the Grosvenor Chapel. South Audley Street, on Monday, January 9, at 2.30pm.

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Rupert Alexander Alec-Smith will be held at Holy Trinity Church. Kingston upon Hull, on Saturday, January 14, at 11 am.

### Birthdays today

Major Sir Tatton Brinton, 68: Miss Grace Bumbry, 47; Mr Alexander Chancellor, 44; Mr Iain Cuthbertson. 54: Sir Thomas Ferens, 81: Professor K. J. Hancock, 49: Sir Havelock Hudson, 65: Lieutenant-Princess Alexandra will be present at a reception given by the Company of Watermen and Lightermen of the River Thomas 1. Rix. 50: Sir Thomas 2. Lieutenant-Commander Sir Ian Clark Hutchison, 81: Sir Leslie Joseph. 76: Professor B. Josephson, 44: Mr T. J. Rix. 50: Sir Thomas 2. Lieutenant-Commander Sir Ian Clark Hutchison, 85: Lieutenant-Commander Sir Ian Clark Hutchison, 85: Lieutenant-Commander Sir Ian Clark Hutchison, 81: Sir Leslie Joseph. 76: Rix. 50: Sir Thomas 2. Lieutenant-Commander Sir Ian Clark Hutchison, 81: Sir Leslie Joseph. 76: Professor B. Josephson, 44: Mr T. J. Rix. 50: Sir Thomas 2. Lieutenant-Commander Sir Ian Clark Hutchison, 81: Sir Leslie Joseph. 76: Professor B. Josephson, 44: Mr T. J. Rix. 50: Sir Thomas 2. Lieutenant-Commander Sir Ian Clark Hutchison, 81: Sir Leslie Joseph. 76: Professor B. Josephson, 44: Mr T. J. Rix. 50: Sir Thomas 2. Lieutenant-Commander Sir Ian Clark Hutchison, 81: Sir Leslie Joseph. 76: Professor B. Josephson, 44: Mr T. J. Rix. 50: Sir Thomas 2. Lieutenant-Commander Sir Ian Clark Hutchison, 81: Sir Leslie Joseph. 76: Professor B. Josephson, 44: Mr T. J. Rix. 50: Sir Thomas 2. Lieutenant-Commander Sir Ian Clark Hutchison, 81: Sir Leslie Joseph. 76: Professor B. Josephson, 44: Mr T. J. Rix. 50: Sir Thomas 2. Lieutenant-Commander Sir Ian Clark Hutchison, 81: Sir Leslie Joseph. 76: Sir Leslie J



Power boating: 1911 at the Marina, Evesham, Worcestershire. The Electric Monarch is one of several electric-powered recharging point at holiday amicina is the Control of t recharging point at the line of several electric-powered vessels being used for holiday cruising in the Severa and Avon waterways system. The Hoseasons boating company says they are quieter than oil-powered vessels (Photograph: Bill Warhurst).

### Forthcoming marriages

Sir Charles Aitchison and Miss Susan Ellis

The engagement is announced between Charles Walter de Lancey. elder son of the late Sir Stephen Aitchison, BL and of Mrs Roland Cookson, of Wylam, Northumber-land, and Susan, younger daughter of the late Edward Ellis and Mrs Ellis, of Hest Bank, Lancashire.

Mr A. Cork and Miss J. M. Kornberg

The engagement is announced between Andrew, elder son of Mr and Mrs N. H. Cork, of Highams Park, London, and Julia Margaret. elder daughter of Professor Sir Hans and Lady Kornberg, of Christ's College, Cambridge, Mr A. T. Fisher

and Miss R. E. Kornberg The engagement is announced between Andrew Thomas, youngest son of Mr and Mrs J. O'N. Fisher, of son of Mr and Mrs J. O. M. Pisner, of Bridgnorth. Salop. and Rachel Elizabeth. vounger daughter of Professor Sir Hans and Lady Komberg. of Christ's College.

Mr P. M. Baines and Miss R. M. Hanson

between Paul, son of Mr and Mrs J. D. Hilton, of Wyndsway, Woodside Hill, Gerards Cross. Cyril Baines, of Sheffield, and Rosemary, younger daughter of Mr D. G. Hanson, of Formby. Merseyside, and the late Mrs Daphne Habson, and stepdaughter of Mrs Hazel Hanson.

Mr R. A Bonney and Miss V. L. Hazell

he engagement is a solution of Arithmetic and Mrs A. R. Bonney, of Oulton Broad, Suffolk, and Vanessa, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs S. E. Hazell, of Westeliff-on-Sea, Essex. The marriage will take place on The marriage will take place on Rolston, of Fryton West, Slingsby, North Yorkshire.

and Miss H. R. Ducker

The engagement is announced between Richard Geoffrey, son of Mr and Mrs R. W. Brown, of Westbury-on-Trym. Bristol, and Hazel Rosemary, elder daughter of Mrs A. W. N. Lake, of Highams Farm. Wimbish. Saffron Walden, and Caroline, only daughter of the Mr and Mrs N. N. Ducker, of Kirk Ircton, Derbyshire.

Mr T. M. Brudenell and Miss V. J. Chaworth-Musters

The engagement is announced Mr C. Markes between Thomas, younger son of and Miss L Blaxland
Mr Edmund and the Hon Mrs The engagement is announced
Brudenell, and Venetia, daughter of between Charlie, youngest son of

Mr R. Chandler and Miss A. Boden

The engagement is announced between Robert, son of the late Mr Island, Canada, and the late Mrs. Stanley Castle, of Morden, Surrey, and Amanda, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Roger Boden, of Arthur Road, Wimbledon,

The engagement is announced Mr E.E. J. Smith between Jeremy, younger son of and Dr.M. S. Shannon Major and Mrs P. K. Govett, of Hongkong, and I. Ashford Road.

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Mr J. J. B Hill and Miss J. J. B. Robinson

The engagement is announced between Julian, younger son of the late Lieutenant-Colonel Rowland Hill and of Mrs Rowland Hill, of 9 Kingsbury Square, Wilton, Wilt-shire, and Jane, younger daughter of Colonel and Mrs M. P. Robinson, of Yorkshire.

Mr N. D. Hilton and Miss V. J. Reed

and Miss A. J. Rolston and Miss V. L. Hazell

The engagement is announced between Nicholas David, youngest between Robert, son of Mr and Mrs

The engagement is announced between Nicholas David, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Frank Holmes.

and Miss C. E. Hime late Mr J. M. Hime, MRCVS, DVR, and of Mrs Hime, of Northwood

Major Robert Chaworth-Musters and the late Mrs Chaworth-Musters. A daughter of Major and Mrs Gregory Blaxland, of Heppington, Canter-

> Mr J. E. Ralfe and Miss R. S. Cooper

The engagement is announced between John Edward, elder son of Mrs C. E. Raife, of York, and Rosalind Susan, only daughter of Mr and Mrs K. R. Cooper, of

# Latest wills

### £1m bequest to charities

Mrs Edith Emilie Currie. Shenfield, Essex, left estate valued at £1,326,138 net. After other requests she left the residue equally between:

Police Dependants Trust the Children's Society, Dr Barnardo's the People's Dispensary for Sick Animals, the National

Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, the Royal Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, the Imperial Cancer Research Fund, the Arthritis and Rheumatism Council, the Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution the Malcolm Sargent Cancer Fund for Children.

Sir John Arthur Edwards, of Radlett, Hertfordshire, chartered surveyor, president of the London Rent Assessment Panel from 1968 1973, left estate valued at £214.115 net. Mr William Aubrey Honour. of

# Mr S. M. Gotwald and Miss E. J. Ashcroft

The engagement is announced between Stephen McLain, son of Mr and Mrs David Gotwald, of York, Pennsylvania and Elizabeth Jennif-cr. only daughter of Mr and Mrs Derrick Asheroft, of Princeton, New Jersey,

and Miss D. J. Grav

Carleton Lodge, Pontefract, West

The engagement is announced between Nicholas David, son of Mr and Mrs J. D. Hilton, of Wyndsway, Woodside Hill. Gerrards Cross. Buckinghamshire.

The engagement is announced between Jeremy, younger son of Mrs J. M. Fairclough and the late Mr. F. Wilde, of Cheltenham. Gloucestershire, and Jan. daughter of Dr and Mrs J. A. Chamberlin, of

and Miss I. Roper

The engagement is announced Fraser, son of Mr Charles Affred Wison and the late Mrs Wilson, of Ewell, Surrey, and lanthe, younger daughter of Dr and Mrs. Michael Roper, of Alderney, Channel Islands

Mr.H. C. W. Robinson and Miss S. F. Faulkner

The engagement is amounced between John, son of Mr and Mrs F.

Smith, of Chiswick, London, and Muriel, daughter of Mr and Mrs D. Shannon, of Holmston, Ayr.

of Mr and Mrs J. G. V Cleay, of Henley on Thames, Oxfordshire.

The engagement is announced between Nigel, son of Mr and Mrs P. S. Stickley, of Downderry, Cornwall, and Helen, daughter of Commander and Mrs P. B. Beazley,

Mr P. A. Shepherd and Mrs A. R. Speddisa

Mr N. G. Stickley and Miss H. I. Beazley

of South Croydon, Surry.

Mr J. A. Wilde and Dr J. E. Chamberlin

Major M. A. Corbe Burcher, R.A. and Dr E. A. Perkins The mamage took place in Fiji on December 31, 1483 of Major Mark

Corbet Burcher and Dr Elizabeth Mr A. P.M. L. Phelips and Miss M. B. M. Pleiffer

The marriage took place in Capetown between Mr Anthony Phelips and Miss Michelle Pfeiffer on December 13th.

and Mrs L Jobson

Dr lain Sidford and Mrs Lee Jobson (née Bazeley) were married in Bromsgrove on December 17

Other estates include (net. before tax paidt Adamson Mas Dinor Erith, et Ponteland, Northumberand £212,430 Merry, Mrs Ame Rosemary, of Highgate, north London...£243,651
Seckel. Mrs Josefa, of Highgate, north London...£312.794
Sillitto, Mr Algernon John, of Roston, Derbyshire, intestate
£221,574

Stanley, Mr Ian James, of Heswall, Merseyside, barrister, intestate £158.634 Thame. Oxfordshire, chartered surveyor. left estate valued at Cobham. Survey E210.278 to be director or the Study of Community and Race Relations at Brunel University.

# House prices may rise 12% this year, agents say

Mr van Cutsem describes

increase in interest for country

area of Norfolk and north

"I am quite sure that within a

not afford W11: and west and

confidently predict another shift

and Miss S. F. Faulkner
The engagement is approunced between Henry eldest on of Major between Henry eldest on of Major E. R. W. Robinson and the lite Hon-Cirencester, and Saras, only daughter of Mr. T. F. Faulkner and the late Mrs T. H. Faulkner, of Old Rectory Farm, Islield, Sosci. Three property predictions for western Essex have tended to 1984: House prices will in increase more than those in crease, on average, by 12 per eastern Essex. cent: East Anglia will be the up- Mr van Cutsem describes and-coming area outside Lon- Cambridge as a growth city and don; and, in the capital, Brixton says there has been a marked

will become the "in" place. Those are generalizations, houses in its vicinity, And he and they are some of the many also recommends house-buyers forecasts estate agents through- in 1984 to consider seriously the out Britain are making to "under-rated and under-valued titilate their potential clients. The engagement is amounced between Philip Alexander elder son of Mr and Mrs. J. F. Stepherd, of Compton House, Coham, Surrey, and Amanda Robin, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. A. Llero, of

Savills are among the agents Suffolk."

who predict an average 12 per cent increase. Writing in Propterly Outlook 34. Geoffrey van Cutsem says he regards last vear's slow and continued to the future market in London. year's slow and sustained valuers, believes that a shift in improvement in the house buyers' attitudes is on the way. market as the ideal springboard for this year. The prospect of very few years residential areas lower interest rates, readily that traditionally-minded Britavailable mortgage funds, a ish families have favoured for return of confidence that the 50 long - Belgravia. Knightsnation is pulling out of re- bridge. Chelsea, the better parts cession, and continued control of Kensington, Holland Park, of inflation to single figures all Hampstead and St John's Wood point to a good year, he believes.

Hampstead and St John's Wood will be priced out of reach of the next generation, he says.

Mr van Cutsem is also And he points out that even moouraged by the cyclical areas that quite recently have pattern of house-prices, which become popular such as Fulshows a rising trend over two or ham. Battersea and Canonbury three years before falling back. – are now under great pressure. He notes that prices have House-buyers had accepted appreciated significantly for Fulham rather than higheronly about one year, which priced Chelsea and were already seems to indicate that the accepting Hammersmith rather market will continue to im- than Fulham. London W10 prove for at least another year would attract those who could,

The expected 12 per cent north Kensington would be average rise is subject to rehabilitated in the near future. substantial regional variations. That is not the end of Mr Some parts of central London Hersham's crystal-ball gazing. and the home counties are He says there must be a limit to likely to see a 15 per cent the long-established social shift increase, particularly if a cheap in London to the west and to pound attracts foreign buyers, some extent northwards, "Chis-The imminent completion of wick Kew and Roehampton are the M25 motorway box around not close enough to the heart of London, he suggests, has given a tremendous boost to properties which lie in its path.

things for those who like London life. Nor are Highgate or Finchley", he asserts. "So I

ties which lie in its path. After suffering for years from poor road communications East in the next decade, and a shift Anglia has received great against previous trends - to the benefit from the M11/M25 and east and south-east." Brixton is M11/A1 links with the result his tip as the place where the that the value of properties in

Back to the more immediate world. Bracketts. Tunbridge Wells estate agents, predict that there will be a sellers' market early in 1984. Mr Colin Quickfall, partner in charge of the residential property department, says there has been a growing tendency for the properry market to peak after January and February, when the decision to buy is made. His firm has more than 150 properties on the books, and 2.000 serious buyers on their applicants' register. That gives a ratio of 14 buyers to every available property. "Early buyers get first choice of the best of the new year market. Early vendors are pursued by the

keenest buyers", he says. Taylor and Tester, of East Grinstead, have detected an-other indication of last year's improvement in the market. "A year ago this month we arranged sales and were surprised if they went through smoothly, whereas now we are surprised if they do not". Mr Michael Taylor notes.

He says another change last year was the return of interest in auctions, which had gone out of fashion in 1981 and 1982. His firm sold more than 130 lots of property by auction, often with obtaining surprisingly high prices.

Parkinson, South of England estate agents and surveyors. have produced a list of 10 priorities for house-purchasers. Most are obvious, but Mr Roger Brasted, senior partner, warns frequently fall in love with a house for all the wrong reasons and ignore important factors such as location.

High on his list is resale potential. "You may love the house now and plan to stay forever, but the average mortgage life is only five years and you will one day want to resell".



Latest appointments Mr Martin Lightfoot, formerly a director of the Schools Council Industry Project, and a deputy education officer (services) with the Inner London Education Authority, to be director of the new Centre for

# Experience

By a Bridge Correspondent The experienced partnership of R Franses and his brother-in-law, J. Albuquerque, won the Bank of Dubai National Simultaneous Pairs championship by a large margin over three sessions on January and 2. The event was played in London. Leeds and Birmingham and scored by computer over the three centres.

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# for victims of terrorism

The Knightsbridge Fund is a charitable fund to relieve distress caused by the bomb explosion at Harrods on December 17 and other terrorist incidents in the United Kingdom both present and future. It is to relieve those in need of help (whether now or in the future) as a result of such tragedies Any surplus after their needs have

charitable purposes. A bank account is being opened at Barclays Bank, 137 Brompton Road, London SW3 1QF, Sorting code 20 14 41, and donations can be taken at any branch. Cheques should be made payable to The Knightsbridge Fund, account number 10556601.

# Fund is set up

been met will be used for other

Arthur Edmond Clouston

would have separated him.

land Comet (a twin piston-engined aircraft and no relation of the later jet airliner) he and Mrs Kirby Green flew to Capetown and back in 5 days 17 hours 28 minutes making the round trip 88 hours faster than any made up to that point and lowering

After a first attempt which ended in a water logged field near Adana in Turkey. Flying whose long flights were not with Mr Victor Ricketts. Clous merely gallant stunts but did with Mr Victor Ricketts, Clous-ton did the return trip in 10 days and 21 hours. This was the first time any aircraft had done the double flight: Clouston's offort therefore set the standard. Meanwhile a host of intermediaic records such as England-

Though by the side of modern civil aviation statistics, Turner. They

Sir Morris Sugden, CBE, Although he remained with FRS, Master of Trinity Hall, Shell for twelve years, Sugden Cambridge, and Physical Sec- retained links with universitieretary of the Royal Society died through an Associate Professorretary of the Royal Society did yesterday in Cambridge at the ship at the University of age of 64. Warwick and a Visiting Pro-Although primarily a physical fessorship at Imperial College. chemist, and a recipient of and it was scarcely a surprise numerous honours for his that in 1976 with his retirement

ontributions to this subject, from Shell impending, Sugden Morris Sugden was an extra- accepted the Mastership of ordinarily versatile man and Trinity Hall and returned to the atterly became involved in academic fold. Back in Cambridge, Sugden many aspects of administration in the fields of science and found himself in charge of a in the fields of science and found infiniser in charge of technology and, as the Master of relatively small and welf-a Cambridge College, in a wide ordered College which was variety of academic activities. ariety of academic activities. other than those of maintaining The son of a company ecretary, he was born near academic standards and of surving in an inflationary age. Halifax and educated at Sowerby Bridge Grammar School and As a consequence he was able to Jesus College. Cambridge, accept a succession of extra-which he entered as a Scholar in collegiate appointments among which were the chairmanship of 1938. He read Natural Sciences.

SIR MORRIS SUGDEN

Eminent physical chemist

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specializing in Chemistry for Part II, and took his BA degree

Like many war-time gradu-

sequent academic research. As

strator, then Humphrey Owen

lones Lecturer and finally.

Reader in the Department of

Physical Chemistry at Cam-

In 1957 he was elected to a

Fellowship of Queens' College

and appointed Tutor for Gradu-

ate Students and in 1963 his

recognized by his election to a Fellowship of the Royal So-

ciety. At this point Sugden's

academic career temporarily

Lord Rothschild, who had already recruited J. W. Cornforth and G. J. Popjak into Shell, persuaded Sugden also to

powerful group of scientists in

the world concerned with combustion research.

But an interest in adminis-

bridge, now began to manifest

doubt, however, that his success

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ates. Sugden soon became time the Press consolidated its employed by the Ministry of position as one of the world's leading publishers, more than Supply to work on matters of military importance. In association with D. W. E. Axford and R. G. W. Norrish he devised year. In October last year Sugden various means of suppressing was appointed Deputy Vice-Chancellor of Cambridge Unigun flash, and also examined the attenuation of microwave signals by rocket exhaust gases versity. In 1978-79 he was President of the Chemical and the consequent problems of rocket control. It was this latter work which largely determined CBE in 1975 and was knighted

the Governing Sydicate of the Cambridge University Press. He was chairman for eight years

up to his death during which

the theme of Sugden's sub- in 1983. As a Vice-President and Physical Secretary of the Royal Stokes Student of Pembroke College he commenced a long series of studies of the chemisseries of studies of the chemis-try of flames, using as his main tools optical and microwave was particularly important in relation to environmental ques-During the couse of this work tions (including the study of he became first a Demon- acidification in Scandinavia which the Society has recently initiated). to interaction between universities and industry, to the society's publications.

and the problems of universities at a time of diminishing financial resources. His leadership was especially valuable in the mounting of research achievements were studies and the preparation of reports on matters of public concern, an aspect of the Society's activities which has increased considerably in recent years. In 1975 the Society

awarded him the Davy Medal. He was an enthusiastic planist and played at the College May Week concerts. join the company and to where his performances, with continue his work in an two of the Fellows, of pieces industrial laboratory. During the following decade Sugden built up and led, at Thornton able noise but were often cases Research Centre what, for a of hilarity in the sometimes time, was probably the most rather staid programmes; he played billiards with the Fellows, often far into the night and, with his wife, he acquired a curious mixture of fame and tration, which had seemed notoriety by entertaining under-

almost non-existent at Cam- graduates to breakfast. Morris Sugden was born a Yorkshireman and remained throughout his varied life a becoming in 1967 the Director of Thornton Research Centre staunch enthusiast for his and in 1974 Chief Executive county. He liked to walk in the and Vice-Chairman of Shell Pennines, and he collected the Vice-Chairman of Shell works of local artists. At the Research Limited, a post which Rothschild had held some years same time he was a wide and avid reader and a linguist of earlier. Considering that, until some ability, speaking Italian then, he had had almost no fluently and a number of other administrative experience. languages, including Japanese. Sugden's progress in Shell was remarkable. There can be little remarkably well.

In 1945 Morris Sugden arose as much from his unique married the charming and personal qualities which, for artistically talented Marian Cotton, who was a devoted wife and to whom, it is widely recognized, he owed a great

# AIR COMMODORE A. E. CLOUSTON

Air Commodore A. E. Clouston, CB. DSO, DFC, AFC who died on January I in Cornwall at the age of 75 was a test pilot who broke the London-Capetown-London and London-New Zealand-London flight records likely to be too high for aeroin the 1930s and otherwise did engines and over seas such as much valuable work both in peace and wartime on the frontiers of aviation at a period when aircraft development was going forward at a rapid pace.

was a New Zealander, born in 1908. He came to Britain to take up a short service commission in the Royal Air Force in 1930 and for many years repeatedly turned down attpermanent commission, so that he could concentrate on the test flying, from which promotion

No 3 Flying Training School and it was during this period that he established the two long distance records which captured the public imagination in those In 1937, flying a De Havil-

Amy Johnson's outward bound record by 33 hours and 23 minutes.

In the following year it was the turn of the London-New Zealand-London record to fall, Sydney. Darwin-Sydney, and Australia-New Zealand, had fallen on the way.

such figures as Clouston daughters.

achieved may seem a little quaint, it is to be remembered that his flights frequently took him and his co-pilot across hostile desert terrain over which air temperatures were thought the Timor whose fearful storms were capable of posing serious hazard to the aircraft of the period. Navigation, moreover. was in its intancy.

Clouston won two AFCs for

his test work which included

very hazardous experiments. crashing aircraft into barrage balloon cables during the carly part of the war. Later he went to Coastal command where he had empts to get him to take a a distinguished career as the commanding officer of No 224 squadron which operated squadron which operated Liberators in the battle against the U-Boats. On occasion he For nine years he served with sank a U-Boat after coming at it out of a rain squall which he had skilfully kept between him and the German captain during his approach. This carned him a in 1943 and in the following year his command of the squadron carned him a

After the war Clouston, by now a regular officer, continued to have appointments which reflected his special skills, and was Commandant of the Empire Test Pilots School at Farmborough from 1950 to 1953. He was AOC Singapore from 1954 to 1957 before returning to this country to command the Boscombe Down experimental station as his last appointment from 1958 to 960. He was appointed CB in

Clouston was a brave man much to provide information for scientists and advance an safety. That his name is not a household one such as those of other aviators, was due to his dislike of publicity and a single minded dedication to his task which shunned ballyhoo and other external distractions.

He married, in 1937 Elsie daughter of S. Markham Turner. They had two

# Science report

# Charting the by-ways of the brain

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

Considerable optimism surrounds a new medical research technique for simultaneously recording images of parts of the brain and for measuring how much energy is being used in different regions of the brain in terms of the amount of oxygen and glucose being absorbed by specific

Initial discoveries with the method suggest that it could have important implications in the development of treatments for strokes and in unravelling the sources of abnormality in the brain causing schizophrenia and other disorders of the nervous system. The procedure, called posi-

emission tomography (PET) scanning requires elab orate apparatus. Only one centre in Britain at the Medical Research Council Cyclotron Unit, Hammersmith Hospital, London, has developed the necessary equipment for trials by doctors in Britain. a blockage from an injury, Enthusiasm for PET scan-

ning was stimulated last year when pictures were obtained by a research group in Canada showing the activity in progress of a chemical substance in specific parts of the brain of a conscious person. The substance was the neurotransmitter dopamine which is known to regulate changes of mood and movement. In a different type of

investigation a team of neurosurgeons, psychiatrists, radiologists and medical physicists have used the Hammersmith equipment to examine brain equipment to examine brain damage caused by strokes, and to compare in minute detail the structure and activity of normal subjects and schizophrenics. The brain is the most active consumer of energy of all body organs, an appetite reflected in its large blood supply and high

rate of use of oxygen. Even so, measurement at Hammer

smith show that only 50 per

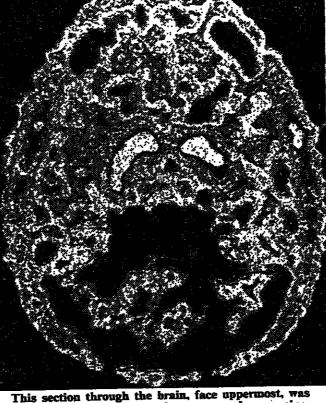
cent of available oxygen is taken up in normal brains. But

such as a stroke, will cause that area of damaged brain to increase its uptake of oxygen by up to 95 per cent from a diminished flow of blood, in an effort to stop the cells dying.
PET scanning has also revealed a leakage of blood from damaged ressels serving the brain which could not be diagnosed by the monal tests. diagnosed by the usual tests.

The latest findings in The Lancet compared the pattern of blood flow and pattern of oxygen absorbtion in different regions of the brains of never-treated regions of the brains of never-treated acute schizophrenic patients and in matched control subjects. The study, by specialists from Charing Cross Hospital, St Bernard's Hospi-tal and the Hammersmith tal and the Hammersmith team indicated an abnormality which had not been identified previously in patients. It is referred to as laterality and describes had been identified as laterality and describes how some structures are more active on one side of the brain than on other side, whereas in controls the activity in those structures is the same in both halves of the brain.

By the same token, the PET scan did not support the established theory that schizophrenics have a reduced blood flow in the frontal part of the brain and a lower energy demand in terms of absorbing oxygen and glucose. PET scanning is elaborate

because it depends first on creating a special type of shortlived radioactive isotope. made in a cyclotron, to be either breathed, ingested or injected into the subject. For instance, the oxygen-15 used in the schizophrenic study has a half-life of 123 seconds. But these radioisotopes emit posi-trons (anti-electrons) which interact with electrons within the brain tissue to produce gamma-rays, and these in turn are emitted from the brain and recorded by a headband of tiny electronic detectors. That information is transformed by computer into brain images, which look like contour maps, of sections of the brain. Source: The Lancet. (No. 8365/6 Dec 31, vol IL 1983).



obtained by positron emission tomography scanning, three hours after the subject had been injected with a preparation of L-3, 4 - dihydroxyphenylalanine (Ldopa). It shows accumulations of dopamine

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# THE ARTS

Richard Gere put a lot into *The Honorary Consul*, which opens in London the week, and is still sore about its treatment in the States: Joan Goodman reports

# Integrity in face of the unlovable

Graham Greene's novels do not Graham Greene's novels do not translate easily to the big screen. Their inner complexity is often lost in the broad strokes of film-making. The Honoran Consul, which opens in London this week, tries to crack this problem. A political thriller on the surface, its underpinnings remain the surface, its underpinnings remain moral and philosophical. Action is tempered with reason. Its hero, played by Richard Gere, is unloving and unlovable, something of an emotional cypher who, when the showdown comes, is forced to reevaluate his beliefs.

Norma Heyman, the producer, attracted a distinguished group of artists to the project. Christopher Hampton wrote the screenplay. John Mackenzie (The Long Good Friday and A Sense of Freedom) directed Michael Caine plays the warm-hearted, drunken minor consul whom Gere betrays to Paraguayan guerillas and whose wife he makes his mistress. Bob Hoskins is the ruthless para-military police chief of the small Argentinian town where the action takes place. He sees in Gere's dispassionate, apolitical Dr Plarr a

They put in a brutal three months' filming in Vera Cruz, Mexico (after the Falklands war, Argentina was out as a location); but, when it was finished. Paramount, the company that paid for the film, pulled the rug

"Paramount simply took the print and made unauthorized cuts. They changed words", says Richard Gere, with wounded feelings. "I refused to change the words and Mackenzie refused to have me change the words so they brought in another actor to dub in the words to make me appear to be more sympathetic. Plarr is a ery passive character. He doesn't do hings. He's a 'maybe' person - that 't'as his character in the book. When Michael [Caine] asks me do you b lieve in anything, Plarr says no. I din't think so'. The studio took out the 'no', which is the guts of the character. It was just stupid."

**Reg Butler** 

with a group of works in much

the same style of abstract - or

almost abstract - construction

Political Prisoner. At that point

distinctive. But with the begin-ning of the Sixties he seems to

have lost a clear sense of his

own artistic identity, and his

return to a more representa-tional style shows a too heavy

The surprise and novelty of the show is its presentation of almost the totality of Butler's

sculpture between 1968 and his

death in 1981. There is some-

figures gazing heavenward.

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Loss of identity

Can a film company do that?
"They can do anything they want",
says Gere, "because they paid for it
and at that point none of us was
strong enough to control the cut."
Gere, with his star image and his
critical and communercial success in critical and commercial success in An Officer and a Gentleman, has less control than most, he says. There are no actors who have that control. are no actors who have that control. Usually the director in conjunction with the producer has a cut, but, unless he's a very powerful director, the studio always has the final cut. They control the means of production so they can do what they want with the product."

Gere is cool but passionate about the unjustice and this tampering with artistic integrity. He has carefully manipulated the Hollwood minefields before, keeping on good terms

fields before, keeping on good terms with the businessmen who run the studios and, at the same time, finding a way to do films of his choice. Honorary Consul was one of them. Gere took a vastly reduced salary (as did the orber actors) in order to keep to the film's relatively modest budget. He endured considerable physical hardship. According to the producer, he had to go into hospital

at one point.

"Gere had been sick for four or five weeks with the 'turista', and we didn't even know it", she says. "He didn't want to cause trouble but it is very debilitating and finally I had to take him to the hospital overnight where they pumped him full of vitamins. I would ruthlessly arrive at 7.30 in the morning and whisk him back to work."

Given his commitment to the story and his considerable risk in taking on an unsympathetic character. Gere was relieved to learn that the film would be released in England in its original form. In the States they not only changed the title - it was renamed Beyond the Limit because a survey showed that Americans did not know what an honorary consul was - but the trailers and posters featured Gere in a sexy pose.

"Everything Paramount did was to sell it down the drain as an exploitation film". Gere says bitterly. "I found it personally humiliating. I think they never liked the film to begin with. It's not a particularly commercial idea, All the way through they tried to make it into something other than what it was. I don't know what they thought it was but they never approached the material on the level we were approaching it. I think they had some vague idea that there were elements they could market in a commercial way. They did their best to try and find them and what they couldn't find they invented."

Paramount both confirm and deny Gere's charges. A spokesman in New York said: "We were all very passionate about the film from the very beginning. We were very surprised when the film didn't do well. Maybe it's too current; or maybe people are saying to you 'I'm not interested in a film based on that concept. We changed the title because we wanted a title that would be more accessible and easier for the public to relate to. We had a film with Richard Gere and Michael Caine after all!", he added, implying that they were counting on the actors' popularity to bring in an audience.

In fact Gere has never had the sort of mass audience that will automatically see anything he does. His record at the box office has always been eratic. Critically he has had his ups and downs as well. His screen career began auspiciously in 1975 when he played a pimp in Report to the Commissioner and then a shell-shocked soldier in Baby Blue Marine - two small but well-respected films. He made a wider impression in Terence Malick's Days of Heaven and began to acquire a cult following.
There were more good notices for his threatening punk who terrorizes Diane Keaton in Looking for Mr Goodbar. He was proclaimed a

included Yanks, directed by Job Schlesinger, Bloodbrothers and Amirican Gigolo. An Officer and Gentleman was the surprise succes that put him on the Hollywood may "I don't think anybody thought would be the blockbuster success was", says Gere. "I certainly neved did. I did it because I liked the script."

More interesting has been his theatre work. He had begun in regional theatre in Massachussets. then went to New York where he starved respectably while doing offoff-Broadway shows by Sam Shepard and David Storey. This got him the lead in the London company of Grease, which lasted two years. Ha also got hired by Frank Dunlop to work at the Young Vic, an unusual achievement for an American. He continues to intersperse stage work with films. He was doing Bent on Broadway when American Gigolo opened in the States.

At 33, Gere is a slim, handsome man who values his privacy although he admits that "at some level I must enjoy the notoriety of the business otherwise I wouldn't be in it". Those who know him say that acting is a consuming interest. "I don't even take vacations well", he says. He grew up in an average, middle-class family in upstate New York and his first interest was music. He has a chance to use this talent in the recently completed Cotton Club, directed by Francis Coppola. "It looks wonderful", Gere says with real enthusiasm. "It's the first musical I've done and we have some wonderful people. It's about the old Harlem nightclub that was run by gangsters in the Twenties. Bob Hoskins plays Owney Madden and he's a treat. Gregory Hines and his brother Maurice tap-dance, and let me tell you they are great." Gere dances too. "But I stick to the rumba", he grins, "you don't think I'm dumb enough to compete with

# comer but somehow the promise fizzled out with a series of films that Theatre in Gern Provoking the audience t

Kroetz can write about tion from sature which is

typical of left-wingers. N Fisch nicht Fleisch is about

transformation of the print

industry by new technology:

The new season at the Munich Kammerspiele has got off to an working class characters withexceedingly lively start. Peter out either the condescension Weiss's last play Der neue that used to be typical of Prozess (The New Trial), a 1981 conservative playwrights or the reworking of his 1974 Kafka superficially flattering abstenadaptation, was followed three days later by Franz Xaver Kroetz's latest play Nicht Fisch nicht Fleisch (Neither Fish Nor-Meat), which was simul-taneously premièred in Düssel-dorf and Berlin in 1981 and has now been directed for the Kammerspiele by the Munich-born author. Heiner Müller's Quariett, a 1982 play based on Choderlos de Lacios's Les Liaisons dangereuses, opened

In the middle Seventies, Kroetz's plays were being seen in London despite the difficulties he presented to translators by writing in Bavarian dialect. Stallerhof and its sequel Geisterbahn were premiered at the Bush, Heimarbeit (Homeworker) at the Half Moon and Morecambe (an Anglicization of Oberosterreich) at the Ham-pstead Theatre Club. But the English theatre has been inhospitable to his recent work, though in Sweden he is performed more successfully than any other foreign play-wright and in Germany he attracted considerable attention from the press when he left the Communist Party in 1980. At the Kammerspiele Heimarbeit caused a riot when it was premiered there in 1971. Nicht Fisch is provoking members of the audience to shout back and walk out at each performance, though, judging from the laughter and applause, the whole audience seems to be unusually in tune with what is being said and done on stage until the last fifteen minutes, when the trouble occurs.

Final effort to ensuare: Doris Schade and Romuald Pekny in Heiner Müller's Quartett

Theatre in London

# The Pelican

Sir Richard Steele

The Infero Players, who specialize in Scandinavian rarities, are claiming this as the first British version of Strindberg's 1908 "chamber play", and I can

Joan Rodgers, winner of the 1981 Kathleen Ferrier Scholar-

ship, is already a singer with an

enviable reputation. In her recital she showed why, for she is blessed with a soprano voice

husband to death and enfeebled her two children. The difference is that, where The Ghost Sonatz justifies these obsessions by taking a leap into expressionism, The Pelican descends with a bump to Strindberg's naturalistic manner, with the result that the play rarely escapes from the prison of personal case-history.

"chamber play", and I can believe it.

Like The Ghost Sonata, written in the same year, The Pelican concerns love-starvation, as expressed through the figure of a vampire female who satisfies her own greed by feeding her family on gruel. In the first play the vampire is a mother, who has driven her that the play rarely escapes from the prison of personal case-history.

The intention is certainly own childhood, and particularly his violently divided feelings own childhood, and particularly his violently divided feelings towards his mother, are undisputed; even the overbearing brother-in-law, Axel, has the same name as the brother for whom Strindberg felt his mother amid comp to go, on punishing the others. But when the mother remarks "It's the blackmailing tactics of the content of the prison of personal case-history.

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The intention is certainly own childhood, and particularly his violently divided feelings towards his mother, are undisputed; even the overbearing whom Strindberg felt his mother amount of the domestic torture-chamber from a succession of view points, and show how each is comes over, from the catalogues of grievances and emotionally blackmailing tactics of the

"Gany she h Zauber

# **Television** A far, far cry...

If ITV has judged the mood correctly, then the take-away facilities of Indian restaurants should be severely taxed over the next 12 weeks or so.

Next week Granada starts its 14-part serialization of Paul Scott's Jewel in the Crown on the main network with Channel 4 repeating on Sundays for those who missed the first or want a second helping. Last night Channel 4 gave what might have been considered to be an acclimatization procedure with the first dollop of M. M. Kaye's The Far Pavilions, made by Goldcrest at a cost of some £9m. It continues tonight and tomorrow night, almost six hours in all in which it was hoped to capture the essence of this massive story of romance and adventure.

On the strength of the opener, six hours will not be enough.
Whereas the book flows with
pace and verve, this had the
ponderous tread of the numerous pachyderms on whom we were frequently invited to focus. Someone should have been in there shouting "jeldi, jeldi", but story-telling bowed to spectacle and it was not a fair trade.

It is inevitable that the story had to be telescoped, so we cannot grumble about the snapshot picture of the early days of the hero, Ash, the orphaned white boy raised by his Hindu nurse in ignorance of his antecedents. But one wonders about some of the invention that accompanies the telescoping for instance the fist-fight between Ash, restored to his rightful status as officer and gentleman, and his brother officers. Such a thing could provoke former Indian Army officers to apoplexy and is only understandable perhaps when one reads that this is the first British mini-series to be presold to American cable tele-vision. We know from John Wayne and all that the American Army is less inhibited by

The Honorary Consul

aquarium, while Hermann's

body has been grotesquely

inflated. The actor, Josef Bier-

blicher, is wearing under his

clothes rubber padding which

emits crude noises each time he

moves. The main point, it

would seem, is to offend the

In directing Der neue Process Dieter Dorn has lavished more

ingenuity on the piece than it deserves. Some of the stage

pictures are powerful, especially

in the office scene with type-writers on floor level and clerks

sitting in stage traps. But the concept is one which could only

K. undergoes is promotion in a

contemporary society based on

militaristic technogracy, and the laws of which he is ignorant are

the laws driving the world

towards a nuclear holocaust.

Leni becomes a super-secretary and Titorelli an aging hippy who denounces Reaganism in a

It is fairly safe to predict that

none of these three plays will reach London, but the least unimportable is that by the East German dramatist Heiner Mül-

ler. Quartett is his perverse title for a two-hander in which the Marquise de Merteuil and the

Vicomte de Valmont, each with

a long career of intrigue and lechery, make a final effort to

ensuare each other. Finally she

poisons him - Müller's point being that the drive behind

sexuality is essentially destruc-tive. Doris Schade gives an

impressive performance, while Romuald Pekny almost reaches

the same level, but they would have had better parts if Müller

had been content to dramatize

Ben Cross is Ash, a sudden kind of chap, as, indeed, Mr Cross has tended to be in previous roles in Chariots and The Citadel. He has a more extensive wardrobe here but gets wound up and twangs down in much the same way.

Robert Hardy, as his commanding officer, obviously as a consequence of much practice. had a lot of fun with his monocle, and Felicity Dean, as Ash's faithless girl, puckered a lot, which may be her idea of how giddy girls in nineteenth-century India behaved but made her less easy on the eye.

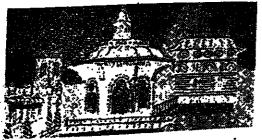
There are many big names to into cliché. The trial this Josef Sharif and Christopher Lee, splendid in costume, and the nostalgic will no doubt be puckering themselves tonight to catch Sir John Gielgud and Rossano Brazzi, but it looks a far cry from the book.

BBC2 was also orientated eastwards with a look at Eric Liddell - Flying Scotsman. He became the fastest man in the world over 400 metres at the 1924 Paris Olympics and turned his back on it all to run the race for the Church in China. He died of a brain rumour in a Japanese internment camp there in 1945. Friends and relatives remembered, but the producer Rosalind Gold's pic-ture of this brave and enigmatic man lacked revelation.

# **Dennis Hackett**

The Academy of Ancient Music, with its director Christopher Hogwood, is to give eight concerts on a tour of Japan and Taiwan between February 4 and 14. The programmes are built around the symphonies of Mozart and Ronald Hayman Haydo.

# thing very worrying, and more John Piper 30 November-/22 January



Piper is perhaps best known for his romantic landscape painting, but his work in stained glass, ceramics, fabrics and theatre design, now shown together for the first time, fully demonstrates his versatility.

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recital she showed why, for she is blessed with a soprano voice of great natural beauty that she also knows how to handle intelligently.

She began her opening Mozart group just a urifle tentatively, but swept her nerves aside quickly enough to give a sensuous though vocally well-restrained account of Debussy's directes oublides. By her Schubert group she had relaxed completely, and gave thoughtful readings of "Die Sterne", "Die Rose", "Heimliches Lieben" and "Suleika", helped by the alert reaponses of her accompanist, Roger Vig
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She began her opening Miss Rodgers has a degree in grup much an equal apposite girlishness, to remind this that Miss Rodgers is yet a fledgling singer.

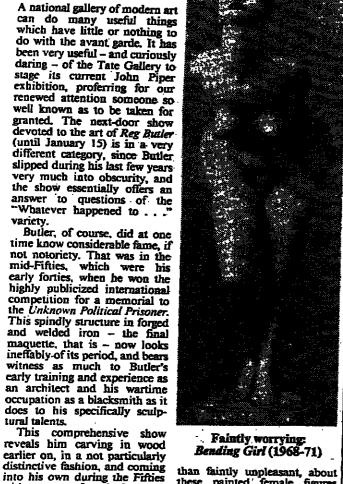
Hardly less astonishing was supplied to the recital given by the Finnish another sensitive yet positive accompanist, her husband Perton was intelligently planned, and once more the voice was rich, powerful, and three Rachmaninov songs were full of the ripest passions, believed by the alert reaponses of her accompanist, Roger Vig
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Looks like the Mississippi itself has rolled all the way down to the Pool at Earls Court. There's a real New Orleans atmosphere there including an elegant sternwheeler tied up at the waterfront; a including an elegant sternwheeler tied up at the waterfront; a Divieland-style jazzband pushing out the Basin Street sounds and the Mississippi dancers moving in that certain way; turnblers and acrobats adding to the fun while overhead a high-wire act thrills the crowds. All around, a sparkling galaxy of boats, engines and equipment to delight the most fastidious of nautical tastes, and features like the men who defied the Atlantic in craft no bigger than the family wardrobe; the American space shuttle and Greek Tirrerne warship displays, the wonderful world of sub-aqua diving. than the farminy wardinose; the American space shuttle and wreek Trireme warship displays, the wonderful world of sub-aqua diving, sailing tuition for children in a special tank; and a magnificent section for sailboards and dinghies. Truly something for everybody,

As well as weekdays (10 a.m. -8 p.m.) the Boat Show is open on Saturdays and Sundays (10 a.m. -7 p.m.). Tomorrow and Friday admission is 5.6 (including free catalogue). From Saturday it's \$2.80 (Children under 14 half-price on all days). Prices include V.A.T.





his sculpture was, though it used the language of the tribe, immediately recognizable and Francis Bacon country, only Butler's figures, unlike Bacon's, refuse to express anything about their predicament, even a faint discomfort. What do they mean? What are they for? And is the discomfort they create in debt to Marini, especially in the spectator an intended artistic effect or just embarrassment at looking unawares into an alien private world? Whatever our answers, it is good that the Tate has given us a chance

to ask ourselves the questions. John Russell Taylor

than faintly unpleasant, about these painted female figures with real hair, twisted into contorted, or indeed contortionist, poses. The deathly pallor of the flesh tones and the defor-mations of the body seem to take us somewhere towards

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News of the Prudential stake clipped 2½p from the shares at 136p, but that compares with the 23p at which the shares were launched after the Trafalgar House demerger two years ago.

American Trust's holding in Edinburgh Securities, the oil and gas exploration, production and investment group, has been reduced from 25 per cent to 22.84 per cent after the share captial's enlargemant. Edinburgh's other big shareholder, the Merchant Navy Officers' Pension Fund, has also had its stake diluted from 7.81 per cent to 7.16 per cent. This follows the acquisition of its associate.

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it had added to its stake and now owned 9.5 per cent of the total. St James is a private company owned by the former Slater Walker high-flier Mr David Bulstrode.

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through oil shares. shudder Fears that the new government would flood the market clipped 8p from BP at 398p with the next instalment on the partly paid shares due next week. Other fallers included Britoil, 4p to 196p. Burmah, 2p to 171p. Lasme Sp to 288p and Ultramai

Sp to 607p.
Shares of Burnett & Hallamshire erased an early 20p lead to ciose unchanged at 158p after denials by Kuwait-owned Hays
Group that it was in talks about
a £20m bid for its UK
Petroleum subsidiary.
On the USM, Gibbs, Mew
the Salisbury brewer, made a

sparkling debut, opening at 250p compared with 200p. The shares ended the day at 240p.

Shares of Gestetner 'A' were lifted 3p to 66p on renewed bid talk. The shares have long been tipped as a takeover target, but with the Gestetner family opining the bulk of the voting owning the bulk of the voting shares any approach would shares any approach have to be agreed.

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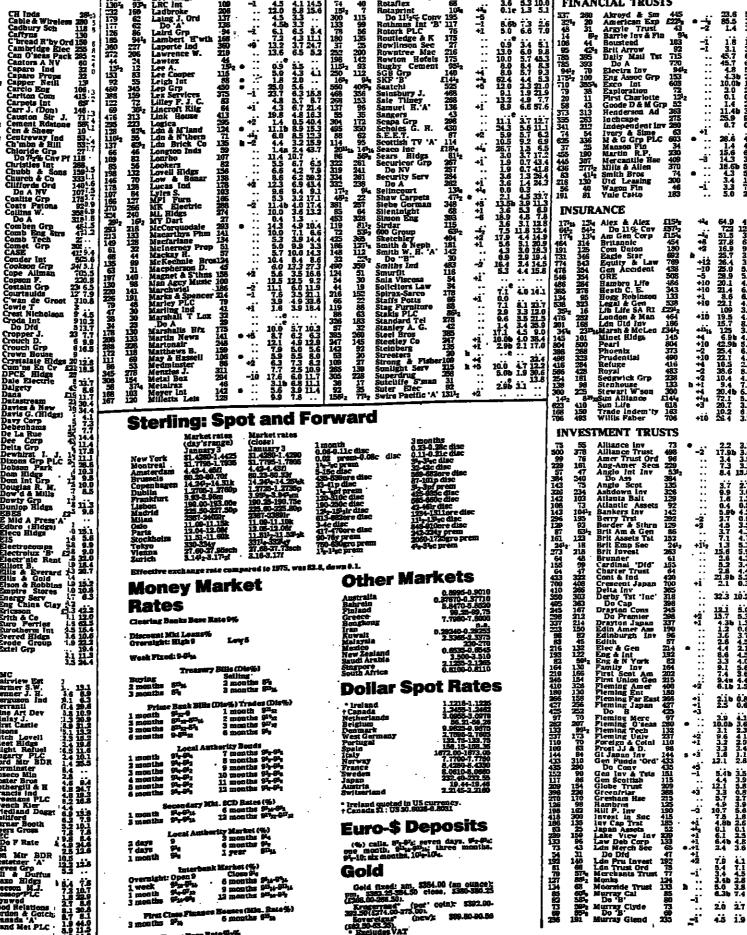
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# FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

**Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet** 

# Son of Dunlop faces £600m debt burden

It was only a matter of timing that stopped Sir Maurice Hodgson from winning the poisoned chalice in our seasonal business awards last week. Yesterday was Sir Maurice's first working day as chairman of Dunlop, a post he added to his chairmanship of British Home Stores after the exit of Sir Campbell Fraser at the end of the

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His first duty was to convene an extraordinary shareholders' meeting to change the company's borrowing limits. which are in severe danger of being

The trouble with Dunlop's survival plan, as the City noted at the time of the tyre deal with Sumitomo Rubber, is that its assets are still shrinking faster than, as Sir Maurice puts it . "the loot comes in from divestment,

At present. Dunlop's articles of association limit its borrowing to 1.5 times adjusted capital and reserves. Three months ago, the formal limit was £568m. After the Sumitomo deal and the decision to place the French tyre businesses into receivership, it has plunged to £458m. Meanwhile, borrowings have edged more sedately down from £484m to about £440m. This allows for the disappointment over the scrapping of the Malaysian deal with major share holder Pegi, and payments from Sumitomo until next week, but not for £38m of guaratees on the French companies' loans, which seem likely to be called.

Sumitomo will have paid another £44 million or so in a year and Dunlop will then recover working capital from the tyre businesses sold. Even so, cash flow is likely to move the wrong way with further rationalization and redundancy costs. Meanwhile, there are bound to be more

asset write-offs. Reasonably enough Dunlop and its Malaysian shareholders now want to swop the variable borrowing formula for a fixed money limit, that will operate only up to the 1985 annual meeting. By this time, Sir Maurice hopes, the survival plan will be in place and "son of Dunlop" will have emerged.



Sir Manrice: higher borrowing limit But private shareholders, although by now punchdrunk with the successive shocks to old father Dunlop will surely want to question the board closely on the new limit it wants to set - no less than £600m. By the time rationalization is complete, that could well be more than

three times capital and reserves. The formal explanation is that the board does not want to pitch its limits too low and have to come back for more. It wants to be sure it has enough to pay for peak working capital. Even so, shareholders' best protection may well be the unwillingness of the Midland and other banks now propping up Dunlop under the watchful eye of the Bank of England, to lend anything like that sum.

The real message is that, even without the bad news on the Malaysian deal, Sir Maurice and the accountants have found things far worse at Dunlop that most shareholders even now imagine.

As Sir Maurice readily admits that survival will take a lot more than disposing of the lossmaking tyre businesses and the Malaysian setup, which contributed little to central coffers. Son of Dunlop will not be much of a bonanza for existing shareholders.

# Europe can pull together

American complaints that Europe has not been pulling its weight in helping to prod the world out of recession have been largely ignored, at least on this side of the Atlantic, amid all the guffing and puffing over the iniquities of the swollen US budget deficit.

Yet Europe's economic power, if only it could be exerted effectively, potentially rivals that of America. As the latest issue of World Financial Markets from Morgan Guaranty, the American bank, makes near, Europe's fortunes rest largely in its own hands.

High US interest rates, unhelpful though they may be, are certainly not the only factors keeping up interest rates in

EEC countries do more than half their trade with each other and only 8 per cent with the US. A concerted move by EEC governments to reduce interest rates would halve the currency and inflation risk to any individual country. But the commitment to tight money policies by the British and the Germans in particular make agreement on these lines unlikely.

Europe's slower emergence from recovcry has much to do with the restrictive fiscal policies its governments are pursuing as they attempt to bring down structural budget deficits.

The Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development has calculated that if European countries are deflating at the same time each I per cent cut from gdp in one country translates into a 3 per cent fall overall. Hence the unexpected severity of recession. But the converse is

This interdependence "implies that a concerted, coordinated European expension of domestic demand would benefit all the European economies without inducing large external imbalances" Morgan Guaranty suggest. Yet almost without exception the Europeans are committed to further fiscal retrenchment.

For individual countries such policies make sense. But we should surely pay more attention to the scope for joint European action, rather than simply blaming the US for our difficulties.

**NEWS IN BRIEF** 

# Murdoch to raise £31.5m

News Corporation, the Australian master company controlled by Mr R art Murdoch, will raise SwFr 100m (£31.5m) by a bond issue on the Swiss capital market. The bonds will have a majurity of 10 years and other terms will be announced on January 12. News Corporation is retaining th right to increase the amount of the

At the same time, Warner Communications, the American entertainment group of which Mr Murdoch has bought 7 per cent, said yesterday that it had been notified by News America. Mr Murdoch's American company, that interests controlled by him might buy up to 25 per cent of Warner.

Cris-Craft Industries, an American film and chemical company, concluded a deal at the end of last week giving it control of 25 per cent of Warner. This was widely believed to be an attempt to prevent Mr Murdoch taking

control of Warner.

Bristol Oil and Minerals, formerly KCA International, is selling its commercial vehicle off-shoot in a management buyout. Berry Wiggins, which has Iveco agencies at Rochester and Newbury, is to be sold for £350,000 with £30,000 in cash and the rest satisfied by 8 pcr cent secured loan notes payable over five years. A further £250,000 may become due depending on the Berry Wiggins trading results over the next five

Newman Industries: the per cent of Europe's energy article on stock market 'laggards' consumption. In the year 2000 and leaders' for 1983 in The it will account for about 39 per Times on December 31 showed the ordinary shares of Newman The report also points. Ine report also points out that energy saving campaigns that energy saving campaigns that energy saving campaigns such as that launched late last year's capital reconstruction. Most investors now own the convertible preference shares.

# WALL STREET

# Stocks look stronger

of improving slightly in early and I trading, although they were still 711/4.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 25 points. The transportation average fractionally higher.

Advancing issues pulled ahead to a lead of about 745-to-690 over declines.

International Business Machines rose % to 123%; Texas Instruments rose 1% to 140%; Teledyne rosc 2 to 1681/2

New York (AP-Dow Jones) - Motorola fell 1/8 to 135%; Wall Street stocks showed signs Control Data rose to 1/4 to 451/2 and Digital Equipment fell 1/2 to

> American Express at 32½ was unchanged; General Electrics at 58½ was down & General Motors at 74% was unchanged General Foods at 51<sup>14</sup>, was down ½. Warner Communications 27½ was up ½; Atlantic Richfield at 42½ was down ½; Scoa Industries at 24½ was down ½, and Harte-Hanks at 24½ was down ½; and Harte-Hanks at 24½ was down at 24½ was down which was down wh 244 was down 11/4.

Mr Edward Nicoski, of Piper Jaffray & Hopwood, said: "I believe we could see a short-Honeywell rose % to 1314; term trading rally.

# Doubts re start to

Nigeria has met the first repayment due on a \$1.9 billion bank loan arranged last year, Barclays Bank International, the agent bank, announced yesterday.

However the repayment, believed to be nearly \$60m. was received by the agent bank on December 29 before the military coup and bankers gave a warning that it demonstrated nothing about the attitude of the new regime towards Nigeria's debt negotiations.

With communications blocked bankers and govern-ment officials remain in the dark about the intentions of the military government. But some comfort has been drawn from Sunday's broadcast in which Major-General Mohammed Buhari, who led the coup, said: "We shall do our best to settle genuine payments to which the government is committed."

Nigeria's debt problems have centred on its short term trade debts and overdue payments on

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# US poised for Peking trade accord

From Bailey Morris,

Washington
The US and China are preparing to sign a trade agreement by which American companies will play a greater role in developing China's infant industrial complex.

US Commerce Department sources said the new agreement on industrial and technological cooperation would be signed next week when the Chinese Prime Minister Mr Zhao Ziyang, makes an official visit to Washington beginning on Monday.

The accord, which has been long in the planning stages despite tense relations between the two countries, would mark a significant turning point for US companies which have been trying to enter the ground floor of what they believe to be a budding industrial revolution in

Over the last year, after the relaxation of US controls on high technology exports, American companies have greatly increased this segment of their market estimated at 3,300 licenses valued at \$1.2 billion (£827m) last year. This compared with high-technology exports worth \$469m in 1981.

In the next year, US Commerce officials estimate the volume of exports will grow more rapidly expanding to a minimum of 2 billion and possibly as high as 2.5 billion.

The signing of the non-bind-ing economic accord would mark the first time China has entered into such an agreement with a foreign government despite numerous attempts by other nations to forge similar

US officials said they expected opposition to the arrangement from other nations. particularly France which has made clear in negotiations on western control of high technology exports that it opposes US sales of high technology and military-related goods to Pek-

Officials said they expected the agreement initially to lead 10 new contracts for US companies in helping China develop its coal mining and oil industries, in addition to hydropower resources and nonferrous

The new stronger, trade ties would also mark an important turning point in relations between the US and China which have soured in the past three years since the Reagan Administration took office, because of strong differences over relations with Taiwan and tough US controls on Chinese texule exports.

Mr Zhao has said that the

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Armstrong Equi struggling motor group, has won a supply shock absor-new Chinese car w add £1m to the profits over the

Under the terms of announced yesterday, National Automotive Corporation Armstrong shock absorb struts under licence

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Mr Harry Hooper, ch of Armstrong Equi which made pretax los £1.1m in the 12 months 1 7, said that the deal wo worth at least film in during the seven years of contract

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# £1m hote first of new chair

By Derek Pain

Mr James Gulliver, created the Argyll drinks supermarkets group, is chi man of a new company set up run country hotels. The company's first acq sition is the Burnham Beech

Hotel in Buckinghamshire. paid just over £1m for this 5 bedroom converted man

Mr Gulliver, with a 5 per cer shareholding will be not executive chairman. Mr Davi Newling Ward, aged 43, wi manage the new company called Country House Hotels which will seek suitable proper ties, initially in the Home Counties and Thames Valley

CHH has some impressive City backers. The Charterhous Business Expansion Fund has contributed £450,000 for about 35 per cent of the equity. Clients of merchant bankers S G Warburg have 39 per cent and Mr Newling Ward has 20 per cent. Much of the starting cash, has been subscribed under the business expansion scheme.

The backers hope that CHH will have at least half a dozen commercial relationship de-pended on a satisfactory settle-ment of the Taiwan problem.

Unlisted Securities Market.

# igerians

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IMF's insistence on a devaluation of the naira, a move long
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resisted by the former government.

Pound slides on sorting oil fears arrears

The pound fell sharply on foreign exchange markets against all leading currencies credit was the yesterday on worries over oil prices in the wake of the Nigerian coup, as the dollar surged ahead. n-term It lost 2.30 cents to \$1,4285 owed and weakened against key European currencies and the ovem-

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Dealers said sterling had been hurt by fears that Nigeria may breach Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries oil production quotas or cut prices to gain the foreign exchange it owever desperately needs, which would ikely to put pressure on the price of oil from the North Sea.

# **Bond group** bids for TV station

Bond Corporation Holdings. which is owned by the Austra-lian entrepreneur Mr Alan Bond, made a surprise attempt yesterday to move into broadcasting.

His group announced a £20,250,000 takeover offer for Swan Television and Radio Broadcaters, independent owners of one of the two television stations at Perth, Western Australia.

The directors of Swan Television urged shareholders to reject Mr Bond's offer, claiming the A\$6.35 (£3.97) price per share was inadequate.

The move was seen by some observers as an attempt by Mr Bond to further capitalize on the success of his yacht. Australia II. in winning the America's Cup. He is due to defend the cup in 1986 and is negotiating TV rights.

Krugerrand (per coin):
\$392-393.50 (£274-275)
Sovereigns\* (new):
\$89.50-90.50 (£62.50-63.25)
\*Excludes VAT

# (STOCK EXCHANGES)

FT Index: 771.8 down 3.9 FT Gilts: 83.10 down 0.2 FT All Share: 470.03 down

Bargains: 15,669 Datastream USM Leaders Index:97.93 up 0.4 New York: Dow Average: (latest) 1258.23 donw 0.41 Tokyo: Closed

Hongkong: Hang Seng Index 871.06 down 3.88 Amsterdam:169.0 up 3.9 Sydney: AO Index 728.7 up

Frankfurt: Commerzbank Index 1060.6 up 0.9 Brussels: General Index 135.61 up 0.17

**CURRENCIES** 

LONDON CLOSE Sterling \$1.4285 down 2.3 cents Index 82.2 down 0.7 DM 3.9400 down 0.0150 FrF 12.0550 down 0.0150

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### INTEREST RATES

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GOLD

London fixed (per ounce): am \$384.00 pm \$383.25-\$384.00 close \$38 (£266.00-£266.50) New York: \$378.50

Krugerrand\* (per coin): \$392-393.50 (£274-275)



Highlights from the statement of the Chairman of J. A. Devenish plc. Mr.R.S. Hargreaves, for the 52 weeks ended 30th September, 1983:

Dividend increased – proposed final of 8p makes year's total 10.25p (1982 - 9.5p) - on pre-tax profits 4.3% higher.

\* The hot summer led to a recovery in beer sales and the year ended with volume sales similar to last year – and comparable UK market as a whole.

\* Activity and sales in soft drinks sector increased.

1982 Results at a glance £0000's £000's 1,844 1,924 Group Profit before Taxation 1,428 1,198 **Group Profit after Taxation** Available for Ordinary Shareholders 2,176 1,258 (after extraordinary items) 350 377 Total Ordinary Dividend 1.826 881 Profit retained in the Company 38.5p Earnings per 25p Ordinary Share 32.2p Includes exceptional tax credit of £527,000

# **WE WANT YOUR** VIEWS ON PORTABLE **PENSIONS**

The Secretary of State for Social Services is currently leading an Inquiry into Provision for Retirement in the UK, with the following terms of reference:

"To study the future development, adequacy and cost of State, occupational and private provision for retirement in the United Kingdom, including the portability of pension rights, and to consider possible changes in those arrangements, taking account of the recommendations of the Select Committee on Social Services in their report on retirement age."

The first subject the Inquiry will examine is personal portable pensions. We want the views of interested bodies and individuals about the practical implications of portable pensions; about the advantages claimed for them; and about other possible ways of achieving these advantages.

If you or your organisation wish to submit written evidence on this subject please send it by 31 January to the Secretary of the Inquiry, Nick Montagu, at the address below. He can also give you any information you need before submitting evidence.

Later on, evidence will be invited on other aspects of the Inquiry.

The Inquiry into Provision for Retirement Room 52, Hannibal House, Elephant & Castle, London SE1 6TE

Study says European consumption will halve

# Cheap oil expected until year 2000

By David Young, Energy Correspondent Europe will benefit from have a significant effect on cheaper oil until the end of the energy consumption. By 1986.

according to a report on energy supply and demand in Europe until the year 2000 published today by DRI Europe.

cent less than 1981 levels in real terms, far below projected The report also suggests that oil consumption, which has been falling in Europe since 1979 will "bottom out" and start to rise, but will not reach start to rise, but will not reach its 1979 levels again this

In 1982 oil accounted for 48

The report also points out

century as its currencies As well as recent action by strengthen against the dollar. European governments in this field the measures taken since 1973 will start to have a cumulative effect, the report

It suggests that real oil prices Oil will retain its dominant will fall until 1987 then start position only in the road rising slowly until the year 2000 transport sector, although the when prices will be only 10 per rate of growth will slow from 2 per cent a year to 1.5 per cent in

"No recovery is expected in this sector - in fact, as gas and to a lesser extent coal and hydro-electric power are used to meet peak demand oil's share will be

"In the domestic sector the impact of conservation and the increasing penetration of gas in the space heating market will slow the growth in oil demand. Cant revival is expected."



Lord Avon: success assured in energy-saving campaign

heating market at 56 per cent until the late 1980s after which growth will slow and then

hold its share of the space are blamed.

projected to increase in 1984, however no lasting and signifi- especially if used at coastal sites

market share in Europe. By the year 2000, 37 per cent of total electricity generated will come. from nuclear station, compared with the present 19 per cent. suggests that apart from France which has its Super Phenix fast breeder projects under development, almost all nuclear pro-jects in Europe will be conventional reactors,

Despite the fall in popularity of oil as a fuel, DRI foresees no

coal industry. A fall in domestic demand, lower electricity con-sumption and a further decline of the iron and steel industry DRI says: "the NCB will be forced to scale down its

imported steam coals

However, the report also important revival in the British Brick

reverse in the mid 1990s. . . . . closures of existing pits. The "Industrial oil demand is also comparative cost advantage of - is expected to allow an "Demand is expected to pick. DR forecasts that by the year increasing penetration of imup strongly in 1984 and will 2000 industry in Western ported coal

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four years.
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Mrs. Even if one year of no inflation 87 or is achieved before the next ine-a election, it will not be sufficient 1988. Th - good to entrench the idea.

4. It The Conservatives must, strategy: 4. It The Conservatives must, news the type for therefore, have a third term to makes a ccon-Britain i nuing which all political parties omic gro it. But respect. There is no conunemployment respect. There is no need to be which shy about what this means for that is a mplies, unemployment. The rationale the Trea modify for a heavy emphasis on The Gove hal the monetary control is that, in the its appro at its long run, the Government

cannot exploit a trade-off between unemployment and

An interesting cross-country comparison should be noticed in this context. Countries with a long record of moderate or low inflation, such as Japan, Switzerland, West Germany and the United States, also now have moderate or low unemployment, while those which have suffered from persistently high inflation, such as Spain Italy. have

Several reasons - or perhaps one should say several oppor-tunities - for tightening fiscal and monetary policy should emerge soon. On the fiscal side there is a danger, reemphasized by the coup in Nigeria, that the Organization of Petroleum Organization

revenues on North Sea profits rate of increase will be 10 per and jeopardizing the Government's targets for the public acceleration of monetary sector borrowing requirement.

It would be uncomfortable, although not unjust, if Mrs Thatcher's second term is characterized by constant by constant anxiety about a weak oil price. The Government's supporters have indulged in some trumpetblowing about the low budget deficit in this country. in a recent lecture to the

American Enterprise Institute on "The British Renaissance 1979 - ?". Sir Alan Walters said that: "Britian is one of the few countries - perhaps the only country - in the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development that does not have a budget deficit problem." This is true as far as it goes, but it fails to recognize that almost all the decline in the PSBR since 1979 has been attributable to increased North Sea revenues.

Oil price movements are difficult to predict. More certain is a clash between the Government's long-run financial objectives and the short-run credit pressures generated by a reviving economy.

In the 14 months to April. 1984, the monetary aggregates are supposed to grow at an annual rate of between 7 and 11 per cent. In fact, only one measure, sterling M3, is within the target band and that only by a hair's breadth, while the other two. M1 and PSL2, are above-

Exporting Countries cartel will In the next target period, break up. The oil price could running to April. 1985, the fall sharply, cutting tax maximum permitted annual

growth have emerged. Although corporate demand has been weak for about 18 months, bank lending to the personal sector and mortgage credit have been and remain buoyant. Leading building societies suggest that new mortgage advances will be 20 per cent higher in 1984 than in

If corporate loan demand revives on the back of a more general economic upturn. all forms of private sector credit will be expanding at an annual rate of between 15 and 20 per cent. With unemployment at 3 million this poses no immediate threat to inflation control. But it cannot be reconciled with the deceleration in monetary growth this year which the Government intends nor, more fundamentally, with the attainment of price stability in later

case can be argued therefore, for a move towards fiscal and monetary restraint in the next few months. This case is persuasive enough in terms of the Government's stated policy goals quite apart from the political convenience of concen-trating bad news into 1984 and

It would not really be significant shift since it would amount to a continuation and reinforcement of a policy direction initiated by the me dium-term financial strategy. If it moderated inflation expec-tations, the disturbance to output, employment and the Treasury's forecast would probably be small.

One further consideration argues for tightening in early 1984. The world economy, led by the US, is expected to improve this year, which will have the usual benign effects on foreign demand for British

it would be logical to dampen domestic demand while the international environment is favourable, and case up a little by lowering interest rates in late 1985. By then American policy makers will almost certainly be taking their budgetary and payment problems more seriously, casting a blight on the world outlook in 1986.

Of course, the reinforcement of monetary and fiscal discipline should be accompanied by miscellaneous assaults on inefficient restrictive practices and special interest groups including miners, solicitors, telephone engineers and even one or two professions in the

With a bit of luck the Government may be as thoroughly detested in a year as it was in 1980 and 1981. If Labour held a lead in the opinion polls of 10 per cent or more at that stage, it would be a Half vear to the second half. sure sign that the Government was on course to win the next general election.

The author is economics partner at the stockbrokers L. Messel &

chairman

George Wimpey: Mr Clifford Chetwood assumes the chairmanship after Sir Reginald Smith's retirement. He retains his position as chief executive. Cathay Pacific Airways: Mr Michael Miles has been ap-pointed chairman and also chairman of the Swire Group in Hongkong from April 1. He will succeed Mr Duncan Bluck, who becomes executive director at John Swire & Sons in London. Mr Miles will be succeeded as managing director of Cathay Pacific by Mr Peter Sutch, now

**APPOINTMENTS** 

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deputy managing director.

Grandmet International Grandmet Services: Mr John Owen has taken over the new position of Middle East divisional director. His former position as managing director of Algosatici Grandmet Services, the GIS operation in Saudi Arabia, has -been taken over by Mr Bob Pawsey, previously managing director of John Laing International.

Matheson & Co: Mr D. E. Corben and Mr D. C. Knechtli have joined the board.

Standard Chartered Bank: Mr S. G. Smallwood, whose duties cover group marketing strategy and regional responsibility for North America, has become general manager and his regional responsibilities wiil be extended to include liaison with Standard Bank of South

Lloyd's Underwriting Agents' Association: The committee for Daniels (chairman): D. G. Mou. (deputy chairman): D. C. Craig. R. M. H. Gilkes. N. C. Haydon, J. M. G. Heynes, R. R. S. Hiscox, C. R. Hunter, A. P.
Leslie, A. C. Mitchell, J. R.
Robson and G. J. White.
Bradford & Bingley Building

Society: Mr W. M. Pybus, formerly on the South East regional board, has been appointed to the main board.

The Scotsman Publications:

Mr Eric Mackay and Mr Roger Nicholson have joined the

The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland: Mr Eric Tait has beome secretary. succeeding Mr Gordon Stewart. who remains as legal adviser. Higgins and Cattle: Mr W. T.

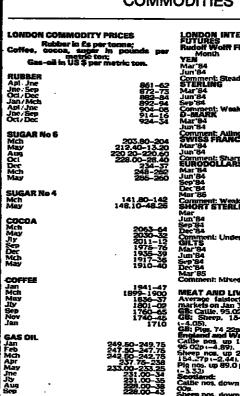
Sullivan has become chief executive and Mr C. Norman sales and marketing manager. C & S Antennas: Mr John Quinton has joined as managing

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H J BALDWIN: Half year to October 31, 1983. No interim dividend £1.311m (same). (£1.098m). profit £52,948 (£11,470). Tax £18,411 (nil). Leaving £34,537 (£11.470).

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THERE'S NOTHING LIKE A GAME' WITH ENGLAND ON THE MAT IN SOUTH F Gower's disenchanted evening

From Derek Hodgson Sava, Fiji

Britain's High Commissioner resumed his seat in the stand with the Fijian President's XI needing 38 runs in seven overs, with three wickets standing, to beat England. Was he about to see another retreat by the Empire? Not quite, for Dilley silenced the good-humoured barracking of Australian holidaymakers by dismssing the last man with the second ball of the fortyminth over. England, having won by 198 runs at Lautoka

on Monday, had reduced the margin to 18. So another tale of the South Pacific ended happily in another enchanted evening. Albert Park was a beautiful setting for some excellent hard-fought cricket in which England were made to pay for dropped catches and complacent bating

dent. Malakai Gucake, said afterwards: "We needed to prove that we can play cricket. For various reasons we couldn't field our strongest side on Monday but today's result, so close to beating England, will give the game a great stimulus."

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reached a comfortable 47 off 16 overs when Fowler failed to middle a full toss and was comfortably caught at mid-on. At 75 the delightfully named spirmer. McGoon, found the mat responsive to his calculate. spinner. McCroon, joung me mat responsive to his selection of off-spin, leg beaks and little seamers, bowling Smith and then having Gower superbly caught by the running, diving Micki at midwicket. Misiki at midwicket.

The unfurling of z huge Commonwealth flag, accompanied by shouts of Come on made to pay for dropped catches and complacent bating and the Fijians recovered some alled the arrival of the dropped catches.

Australians and more disaster

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medium bowler, Batina, England were then 85 for five with 30 overs gone and Suva, Steepy in the midday sun, began to stir, more and more spectators lining the railings for a feet to the stillings fo

one of his gritty professional moods. He watched every ball off the mat as though this was Melbourne or Port of Spain and, with some intelligent support from Marks and the tail, England were 146 for 9 at the close. They had no great tail, England
the close. They had no great
reason to suspect that they were
in any danger when the Fijians
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Two balls later it was all over.

The Fijian Association presi- as Gatting, who had been and Tadu off successive balls

from Cook, the President's men were 78 for seven with 14 overs remaining. The all-rounder Jepsen was then joined by the Jall, quick bowier, Gauna, both of them toured England in 1982 and were possibly less in awe of the opposition than some of their colleagues.

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lining the railings for a free "Joel" swung his bat like the great West Indian, Jepsen pushed and ran and the Australians fell about in delight. Thirty runs came in the nine overs when the HC returned clutching a brief case (instruc-tions from Number 10?) and England paid the Fijians the compliment of giving the quick

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Off with his pads: Chappell declares his Australi

# Chappell to retire from Test cricket after Pakistan match

From Ian Brayshaw, Sydney

The announcement yesterday of tireg chappell's retirement from raternational cricket overshadowed the activities of the second day's play in the fifth Test match between Australia and Pakistan here.

It was almost of academic interest that Pakistan, having resumed at 61 for two, were dismissed for 278 shortly before stumps after a day of efficition against some fine fast bowling. Australia were six without

With appropriate timing by catching Mudassar at second slip off the bowling of Lawson. Chappell equalled the record number of Test catches for a fieldsman held by Englands' Colin Cowdrey. Chappell is playing his eighty eighth Test match: Cowdrey needed 114 Tests for his 120 catches.

for his 120 catches.
Lillee also reached a milestone. trapping Sarfraz leg before wicket to notch up his 350th Test victim. Marsh. too. achieved his 350th Tet dismissal and Lillee helped him to it. When the last Pakistan wicket fell, caught Marsh bowled Lillee, it was the ninety-fourth time the pair

had combined in Tests matches. This Test match is to be Chappell's last. His interest and runmaking has wantd since 1981, when he declined to tour England, and he has suffered a gradual decline in his success rate. In the present series, his 150 runs in the second Test is his only major score. The Chappell era began in 1964 when lan Chappell played the first of his 75 tests. embracing the Australian captaincy. and including two Tests for the voungest of the three brothers. Trevor, and 88 Tests, 48 of them as

captain, for Greg.

Greg has been Australia's finest a double century in a Test and twice

batsman since Sir Donald Bradma retired in 1948. He is now just 68 runs short of Bradman's Australian record total of Test runs, 6996 and-has scored 23 Test centuries (four of them converted to double cenlunes).

A Grandson of the former Australian captain, Vie Richardson. Chappell began his Test career against Ray Illingworth's 1970-71, England team in Perth with a fine century on his debut and has had few stumbles since. He is one of four men who have scored a century and

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Chappell, G R J Matthewn, R W Marsh, G F
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Second of the great players of the game."

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made a century in each innings in a Test.

Chappell's haiting has always been straight from the copybook—superb defensive mechanisms and a complete array of majestic scoring strokes, perhaps the linest of which were his back-foot drives.

There were two Pakistan innings of note yesterday. Mudassar, who faced the music when the innings began late on Monday, survived against the odds and battled on through the difficult periods yesterday to score \$4. Zaheer, almost certainly playing his last test in Australia, continued his good recent form with 61. His innings was thoughtful and careful between lunch and tea and magnificently lunch and tea and magnificently enterprising after the interval particularly when he and Salim put on 50 in 28 minutes.

Three days play remain in the match against Pakistan for Greg Chappell to score the 69 runs he needs to pass Sire Donald Bradman's record number of Test runs for Australia but he is not concerned with the challenge. "If you are playing for records you should not be playing - catches and runs are not that important," he said. "I'm only grateful that I've had the opportunity to play and get close to Bradman's record.

nnett, the chairman of the Australian Cricket Board said "Greg has been a wonderful cricketer and his contribution to the sport has been magnificent. The will go down

More cricket, page 17

Simon Barnes

# galore but televised rt does not score

urday r. For Enough of such frivolity: there was real big time is the sport on the telly now. Yes, this was nothing less than darts itself, and the world Road champion, Keith Deller, AS all being beaten by a solid looking American of Chiey are nese extraction, a match that reminded me vividly of the night in Ah-Chuen's bar when we played for They turns boto. D. and \$100 a dart.

I would have lost a chless packet if I had been at are Newbury. I'd have opposed odds-on Observe with good on by old Approaching, now 13, ачегand he damm near did it as sports well. I needed another beer aturafter all that excitement. with

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But let us leave horses aside, for the great man himself, a man for whom I was once honoured to buy a pint of lager, (when I drop names I only drop the biggest) the No 1 seed for the world championship, blond highlights in his hair and little finger extended like a duchess: yes, it was Eric Bristow, and throwing darts fit to kill. A routinely cocky victory, and as Sid Waddell was quick to point out: "Bristow basn't really broken sweat." Time for a beer in Eric's

honour: I returned from a polar expedition to the fridge to see that West Ham were one up. I bet Trev made it. The television showed Bobby George, 2 man whose fondness for sequins has earned him the title "The Liberace of darts." I switched channels, and saw a frightfully pretty girl called Jojo with hardly any clothes on. You wouldn't get that at Upton. Park. It was apparently professional ice skating, and Jojo was followed by Robin Cousins, clad in wraparound shades and a peekaboo jump suit, exuberant as a fire cracker, doing some utterly splendid mucking about. Then came the half-time round-up: Spurs had equalized at West Ham, and yes, Trev did make West Ham's first

Then it was time for stock car racing. This is a sport where you can never tell who is winning, and if you could, it is possible you might not care, It was better to watch Tony Brown, a man scruffy even by darts players' elevated standards, getting beaten by a sneering fellow, John

Basketball did little to revive my now flagging spirits. I made another polar expedition while a team colled Athletes in Action took on some gentlemen from Tel Aviv. I really can't get the hang of basketball, a game where excellence is possible only for the freakishly etiolated.

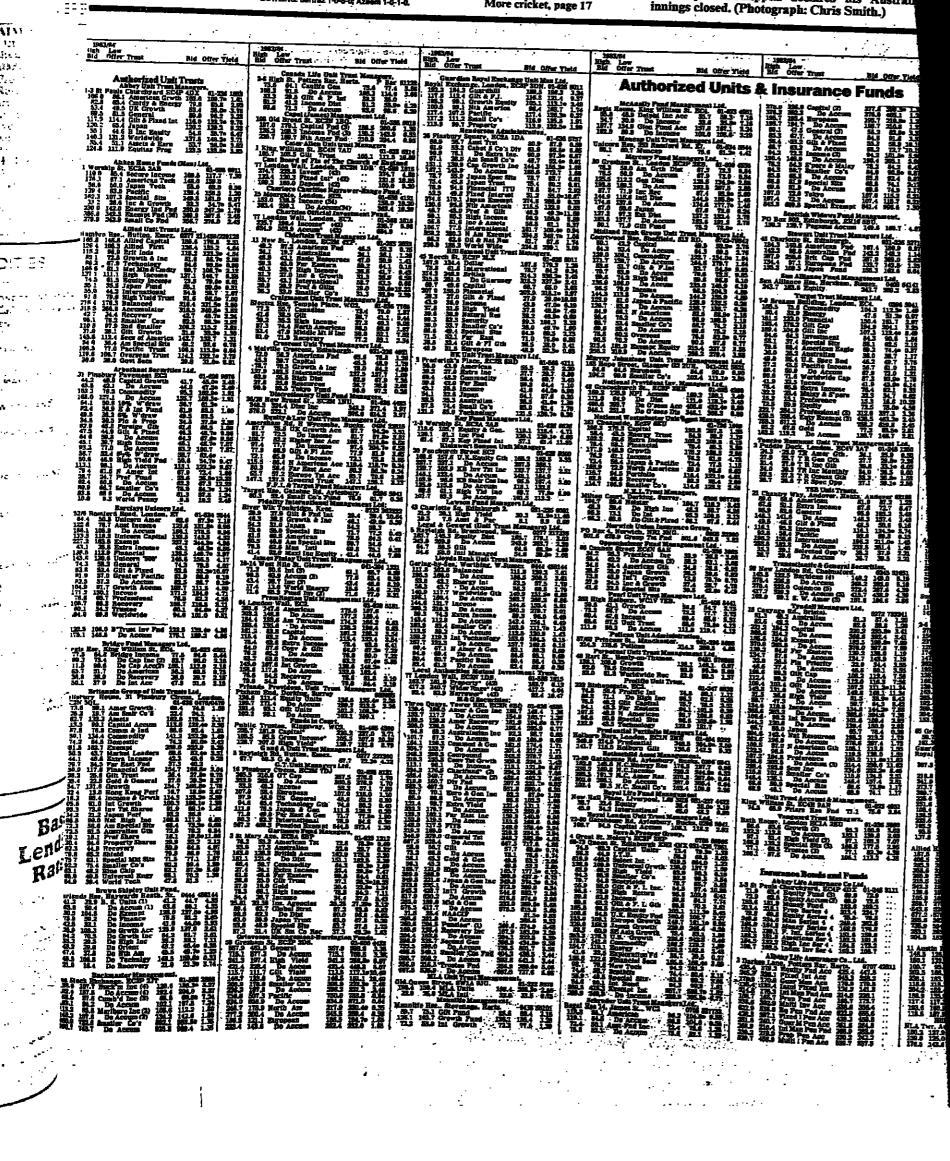
It was time for the final step downhill. Yes, it was the moment to switch over to the wrestling, and watch the battle between Fit Finlay and Chick Cullen (strange godparents pro-fessional wrestlers must have). Fit, if I may call him so, was remarkable for variegated green tights emblazoned with shamrocks.

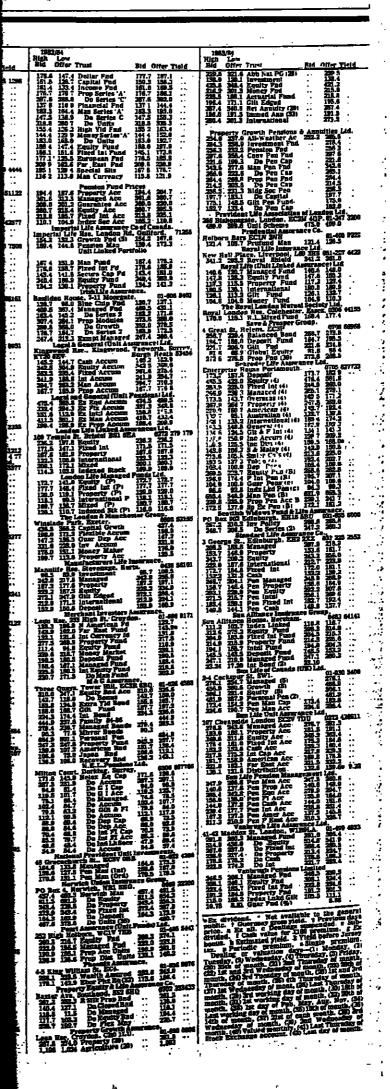
### Four goals to one, two falls to one

"This is Fit Finlay's own special version of the face-mask triangle," said the idefatigable commentator. Kent Walton. Time for a beer, West Ham, said a score flash, now 4-1. Fit won by two falls to one

After that, it was all football reports from reporters who, like Mr Jourdain, appear to have just discovered that they have spent all their lives speaking in prose. Trev scored Weat Ham's fourth.

Stock cars, darts, professional skating, wrestling, more darts, (and a special darts programme on BBC-2 in case I was getting withdrawal symptoms). This Saturday I'm going to Plymouth Argyle. There will be less beer, but I'm looking forward to seeing some sport again. I miss it.





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Could it be the turning point of the season? The meeting between Liverpool and Manchester United that lifted the curtain on the New Year and the second half of the first division programme was sure to be significant whatever the outcome. Yet few could have foreseen that the championship race should be opened up in such a manner.

The crucial incident was not so much United's equalizer in the closing minutes, though that was important enough in itself. But when Moran's elbow crunched into Dalglish's head. disfiguring the left side of his face and forcing him to walk away from the game for at least a month. Liverpool's title ambitions were wounded per-

haps as severely.
The loss of the Scot should not be underestimated. In each of the two games he has missed. the third replay against Fulham in the Milk Cup and at home to Birmingham City, Liverpool were reduced to a more mortal level even though they won both by the only goal. Dalglish indispensable because he lends an extra dimension to the enteprise of their attack.

After completing seven fixtures in 16 days, Liverpool must be relieved that their schedule over the next few weeks is less hectic. Not that their FA Cup third round tie will be easy. Newcastle United, their visitors in front of the television cameras on Friday night, include Keegan, their former player that Dalglish was bought

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Dalglish: painful loss

Wednesday in the quarter-final in a fortnight) may also now be hampered unexpectedly, they are at home to lowly opponents in Wolverhamton Wanderers, WWiford and Arsenal in the League. Their three journeys to Aston Villa, Sunderland and Luton Town are unlikely to be so comfortable.

Ironically, the foundation of Liverpool's remorseless success is their consistency, not only of performance but also of availability. Seven of the current side have played in all 22 first division games and two others have missed only one. Even now, one regular member, Robinson, is ready to replace another, Dalglish.

Compare that remarkable record, a tribute as much to the form await their simplicity of their style as to best in there intheir fitness, with those of their champior cy are richest rivals. United have no deed to rnoon ever-present player, Tottenham sure to rivals Hotspur only one and Arsenal when 11-tunate Although their progress in the Milk Cup (they are at Sheffield So who, if anyone, will take mishap.

Flu spoils Bournemouth'ns

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Bournemouth, who held United to

a draw in the Milk Cup at Dean

An outbreak of influenza threat- Liverpool at Anfield on Monday has

cas to upset Bournemouth's preparations for their FA Cup third round tie against Manchester international centre back, has been

United at Dean Court on Saturday,
The manager, Harry Redknapp,
added himself to the sick list
yesterday, joining John Beck,
Everald la Ronde, Paul Morrell and
keith Williams. A further worry for
Redknapp is the fitness of his
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# Aberdeen can take nothing for granted

O SCOTTISH LEAGUE

THE TIMES WEDNESDAY JANUARY 4 1984

By Hugh Taylor

The New Year resolution made; by Alex Ferguson, the Aberdeen manager, to rid his team of the idea that their four point lead over their meanest rivals at the top of the piemier division guarantees a championship reaching Pittodrie, was strengthened by yesterday's bizarte developments as winter weather his Scotland.

After a blizzard prevented play in the matches between Celtic and

goalscoring of own. Sino of the matches between Celtic and Rangers at Parkhead, and between past Watterniel Doudee and Doundee United and Drins Park Aberdeen tackled their match against St Johnstone with such style that they were three goals absenteels on my's stark vis thampton in the anybody? and anybody? and anybody? and Lyall at waith the unhappy combination of a Lyall at wough specially i only at Nottic Park at Nottic Park at Nottis Park cod

Therefore the match, in which Aberdeen had played so impressively that a goal least in the second half symmet a goal least in the second half seemed certain, will have to be replayed. While Aberdeen are still well-placed, the manager has insisted that nothing can be taken for granted, pointing out that at exactly this time last year. Celtic were four points ahead of Dundee United to whom they guernally United, w. peak United, to whom they eventually surrendered the championship.

Thousands of supporters were bitterly disappointed when the Old

Firm game was postponed a few hours before the kick-off, but the forecast of heavy snow, combined with the waterlogged pitch, and a game for which almost 60,000 lickets had been sold, was off. The weather also played havoc with the Tayside derby.

An exciting match did go ahead at Paisley, where St Mirrer beat Motherwell 2-1. McDougall and McCormack appeared to have made victory certain for the home team. who have been playing recently with new spirit and skill, but Motherwell ended the game defiantly, with Harrow scoring. However the goal came too late to belp Motherwell life

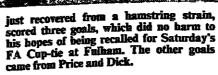
in the first division, Kilmarnock are back in the promotion race, after a dismal spell in which one home defeat followed another, by beating Ayr United at Rugby Park by 1-0 in a fiercely fought local derby. United were never inferior to their better-placed opponets, and it took a late goal by the Kilmarnock substitute, Cutherbertson, to gain the vital

Ardriconians, too, were lucky to beat neighbours Hamilton Academ-icals, also by 1-0. McGuire scored three minutes from time



Paul Miller takes a tumble, but the Tottenham Hotspur defender, who has been just one of the club's many casualties in an injury-ravaged first half of the in an injury-ravaged first half of the been rested from the previous scason, came safely through yesterday's division match with Watfor, Football Combination game with Crystal not match-fit, came through

in August. Spurs were also L after their 5-0 win, that Ar Palace. Miller is at the first stage of his without further problems. I



(Photograph: Ian Stewart)

# Goalkeeper Sampdoria'g shot may put visits specialist

The Swansea City captain, Jimmy Rimmer, sees a specialist today, as concern grows over the hand injury which has kept the goalkeeper out of league action since November 19. The Swansea forward, Bob Latchlord, plays his first game for a month, for the reserves at Arsenal this afternoon, watched by Stoke

The Stoke caretaker manager, Bill Asprey, who wants Latchford to help his club get away from the first division relegation zone, has already had preliminary talks with the former England international, aged 32, who was given a free transfer by the Welsh club last week.

# Yesterday's results

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# pressure ohzil's manager

There is talk in Italy about Sampdoria. if Trevor Francis cannot get fit again, buying Eder, the Brazilian international winger. master of the long shot and the dead ball kick. The 26-year old Eder's contract with Auletico Mineiro of Belo Horizonte is up at the end of February, and his is already making noises about what a "stupendous" of noises about what a "stupendous" of least in West country Italy is, and how much he Gen least in West national longs to play there.

The clutch of Brazilian stars who already play in Italy made a brief his tire strials. As if of which the national team manager. Carlos Alberto Parreira, said he was very worried about qualifying for the next World Cup if he could not bring the likes of Zico, Christmas visit home: in the course of which the national team he could not bring the likes of Zico. F
Cerezo and Falco home, and that he humised by their would do his best to arrange his fixtures at a time when the Italian

clubs were not playing. He has also said he wants at least a two-month preparation for the finals.

Roma, meagre 1-0 winners over Santania, were very good last time and strife among the and strife among camp, but the prospect of Eder, too. heading across the Atlantic cannot picase Parreira, whose own position seems less than secure. There has been talk of engaging Luis Vinicio, the present Pisa manager and former Naples centre-forward, to

take over his native team.

Zico meanwhile. scorer of a penalty in a 4-1 win over Naples, though his success in suing his old club. Flamengo, for some £400,000 due on his transfer fee may have consoled him a little. He complains that Udinese are a very voung side. that Udinese are a very young side with no true tactical scheme, and the blinkered idiologues of our own F.A. may be interested to note that he feels he cannot use the long thrugh ball. There is just nobody to

get on the end of it.

That, he says, is the reason why he is now playing much farther up the field. Socrates (Corinthians) has just been voted Brazilian Footballer of the year for the second time in succession: and when Zico turned up at Rin Airgort to Chemical up at Rio Airport to fly home, the up at Kio Airport to my nome, une fickle Flamengo fans were immeasurably more interested in cheering Fillol, the veteran goal-keeper just signed from River Plate

of Buenos Aires.

After the winter break, European football reawakes to a multiplicity

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him again immediately after the World Cup, but Allgower produced a medical certificate and refused to come. Later, when he and Derwall met in a Bremen hotel, they turned eir backs on each other.

Allgower maintained his boycott throughout the Euorpean Cham-pionship qualifying tournament, but says that he wants to play in the next World Cup. Will Derwall eat humble pie again, as he did over Bernd Schuster?

Across the Berlin Wall, Dynamo Across the Bertin Wall, Dynamo Berlin have ridden the loss of Riediger, their splendid centre-forward, edged out in front of the Championship again and constitute a palpable threat to Roma: whose left Furnogan jaunt to Fact last European jaunt to East Germany ended in copious lears.

In Riediger's absence, Rudigier Nette has emerged as the chief bombardier, leading the Champion-ship scorers and getting two goals so far in the Euripean Cup. There is a chance that Riediger, who has been chance that Riediger, who has been out for a year, may be there again by the time March comes; as may the international defender. Norbert Tricloff, who has had an operation

on his knee. Russia's footballer of the year is Russia's footballer of the year is the Spartak Moscow inside left, Fiodor Cherenkov, whose team are due to play Anderlecht, the holders, in the quarter-finals of the UEFA Cup. Dynamo Minsk, who have lost their League tide to the surprising Dnieper Dniepropetrovsk, still have abundant hope in the European Cup, in which they are due to meet administration for the European Cup, in which they are due to meet the conquerors of Hamburg. Dynamo Bucharest.

Managed no longer by their old centre-forward Malafeev, who left to take over the Russian Olympic team take over the Russian Olympic team and may yet get the top job with the national side, but by Benjamin Arzamatzev. Minsk have "discovered" a new goalscorer. Viktor Sokol, aged 29, seemed no more than a permanant reserve when last September Gurinovitch, the regular centre-forward, was hurt. Sokolov leapt into the breach, scored twice against Grosshoppers in the first against Grosshoppers in the first round of the European Cup and four times in all against the hapless Hungarians of Roba Eto.

Phil Anderson of Australia came home first in the Amstel Gold Spring Classic and the Tour De

won the world road race title in Switzerland after his second place the previous year and finshed top of the super-prestige standings.

Then there was Sean Kelly, the dynamic Irishman who won the points section of the Tour de France for the second year running. He also triumphed in the Pais to Nice, the Tour of Switzerland and the Tour of

Sean Kelly and Greg Lemond despite a shoulder injury which kept have instigated a revolution in bim out of action for several weeks. His compatriot Stephen Roche year to prove that the traditional preserves of West European riders Phil Anderson of Australia cand In the old bastions, the Dutch, with their traditional team-sense, survived with wins in five Classics for Jan Raas, Leo van Vliet, Hohan

The newcomers: Lemond (left) and Kelly set the pace as the West European monopoly is broken

CYCLING: LEMOND AND KELLY RISE TO POWER IN A YEAR OF REVOLUTION

van der Velde and above all for the Tommi Prim of Sweden won the Paris-to-Brussels marathon, while Kim Anderson became the first Dane to wear the Tour de France Yellow jersey, which he held for 11

Further down the hierarchy, there was more evidence that fundamen-tal changes in this gruelling sport are underway. Robert Millar of Scot-land led the prestigious climbers' section of the Tour de France for several stages, with the Colombians Tour of Switzerland and the Tour of as his main adversaries. The Lombardy and finished second to Japanese made their debut in the Lemond in the super-prestige "Open" Tour de L'Avenir and Eric

McKenzie of New Zealand established a reputation as one of the best hugh advantage in the multi-stage sprinters around.

seleran Hennie Kuiper in the bone-shaking Paris to Roubaix and the youthful Stephan Rooks in Liege-Bastogne-Liege.
The French too retained their dignity with wins for Bernard Hinault in the Tour of Spain and Laurent Fignon, who surprised

everyone to take a classic Tour de ltaly, however, despite the computitiveness of Guiseppe Saronni, felt the draught worst of all, and the Belgians are now far from the glorious days of Eddie Merckx.

But the past year also around

But the past year also proved that

Despite the absence of the injured potential winners, with the honour

The new order make their move races which is unlikely to be challenged unless cycling can catch the public eye and sponsors pocket as it does in Paris. Brussels and

> The Tour de France was a classic example as Kelly and Anderson found they did not have the artilley to outlast the French. Anderson was first told to work for Pascal Simon of the powerful Peugeot team, and then Kelly found he could not match the overall strength of the Renault team over the Pyrences and Alpine stages.

and as it later transpired unsettled Hinault. Renault had a trio of finally falling to the bespectacled and unassuming Fignon.

# Whichello grits his teeth and wins

Richard Whichello, the No 1 seed and a player whose aim it is to win have a difficult task on his hands, all three of the main British 18 and Not only that, but there was the Under titles on offer this year.

yesterday looked thoroughly impressive in winning 6-4, 2-6, 6-3
against Michael Walker, of Wales,

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As it was, both boys stayed with their New Year resolutions and, for in the first round of the National Covered Court Championships.

Sponsored by Prudential, at was clearly a bad call in the sixth

are now open to the world.

The change had been in the air for

several years, but the majority of cycling fans were still surprised by

Firstly there was Lemond, the shy, freekly-faced American, who

its comprehensiveness.

Walker has recently made great strides under the eye of Don Hicks, a former Warwickshire county player. He won the Welsh senior games to tie-up the match. championship lest summer and.

RESULTS: Boys Singles: A Whichello (Kent) by M Walker (North Wales) 6-4, 2-6, 6-3; M Prudential Junior South West title.

Wallace (Avon) bt M Philips (Essex) 8-4, 7-5; G

**RUGBY LEAGUE** 

Everyone felt Whichello might was clearly a bad call in the sixth game of the final set, he did nothing

games to tie-up the match.

ranks (Herts) br S Hentage (Oxon) 1-6, 6-3, 6-I. S Cole (Surrey) bt A Hunting (Leca) 6-1, 5-2, 6-I. Grassick (Herts) bt M Nuttall (Suffolk) 6-2, 6-II. C Weekes (Essex), bt S Heron (Yorks) 6-2, 6-II. B Knapp (Glos) bt L Davies (Salop) 6-4, E-1 D Streen Hearts in S Romoless (Salop) 6-4, E-1 D Streen Hearts in S Romoless (Solopersell D Sharm (Herts) bt S Brookes

D Ison (Leicestershire) bt C Beecher (Kent) 6-3, 6-3; N Jones (Ricrith Wales) bt D Saptord (Surrey) 7-6, 6-2; Pt Jettreys (Middleses) bt J Cappadona (North Wales) 6-2, 6-0; S Tucker (Devon) bt T Pearce (Somerset) 7-6, 6-1, C Harris (Essex) bt A Devaney (Norfold) 5-0, 6-1. G Franks (Hertfordshire) bt S Heritage (Oxfordshire) 1-6, 6-3, 6-4. re) 1-6, 6-3, 6-4.

Sharp: looking sharper

likely to make the leap into world

class that he promised after his European 200 metres silver medal

in Athens 15 months ago. He has

still had his best early winter's training for three years. Two months of injuries last winter wrecked his world championship

season but he managed a top-class time in a one-off performance of 10.20 seconds for 100 metres.

Kipper Bell, a 22-year-old American football player, became the first United States athlete to win

the New Year professional sprint at Edinburgh's Meadowbank Stadium

yesterday. Bell, who will shortly join

Pittsburg Maulers, comes from Edinburgh's twin city, San Diego, and covered the 110 metres

and covered the 110 metres handicap race in 10.97 seconds from a start of 2.25 metres to pick up the

£1,200 first prize. Earlier he had been even faster.

Snow still good above 200m

Best skling above 200m.

La Plagne ou New snow at last 15

### Bauer equals Metreveli feat

Adelaide (Reuter) - Mike Bauci retained his South Australian open title yesterday with a 4-6, 6-4, 6-1. win over Miloslav Mecir, the Czechoslvak playing his first grand prix final. Bauer, an American aged 24, is the first player to win the championship in successive years since Alex Metreveli, of the Soviet Union did so in 1972 and 1973.

Mecir aged 19. defeated the Wimbledon runner-up. Chris Lewis. the top seed, in the quarter-finals but squandered his chance. Holding a 2-0 lead in the second set, he dropped his service to allow Bauer back into the match.

# Skerrett is doubtful starter

Trevor Skerrett, captain of the Great Britain rugby league team, is doubtful for the international in France on January 29.

Hull's Welsh international prop forward is on crutches after damaging ligaments in his left knee in Sundays match at Featherstone. Skerrett was hurt making a tackle in the first minute of the game and said yesterday, "It is a bit worrying because you never know how long knee injuries take to mend. Fortunately it is he first time I have damaged this knee. But with less than four weeks to go to the

not look to bright at the moment."

The Rugby League have appointed John Gocher, a leading Sydney referee, to take charge of the two Dominion Assurance intertwo Dominion Assurance inter-national matches between Great Britain and France this season. Gother will fly in for the international in Avignon on January 29 and stay over to take charge of the return match in this country on February 1 at a venue yet to be decided.

**TODAY'S FIXTURES FOOTBALL** 

CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Blackburn v Liverpool (7.0): Nottingham Forest v Sheffield Wednesday (7.0):

MIDWEEK LEAGUE: Port FA YOUTH CUP: Third round: Stoke (7.30) REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: Civil Service Army (at Chiswick, 2.0)

RUGBY UNION CLUB MATCH: Bridgend v South Wales Police (7.15) REPRESENTATIVE MATCHES: Plymouth Abicin v RAF (7.15) Army v Surrey (7.30) TENNIS

WORLD DOUBLES CHAMPIONS Albert Hall, 6.00). BASKETBALL **CYCLING** COLOGNE: Six-day race: Final standargs: 1, J kristen (WG)) and R Pinen (Neth). 481pts; 2, H Schutz (WG) and R Dif-Bundi (Switz). 611 one lep behind; 3, D Thurau and A Fritz (WG), 374, one lep behind; 4, O Braun (WG) and G Frank (Dan), 485, seven laps behind.

ICE HOCKEY
WINNSPEG: Tour match: Canada 6, USSR 7.
NATIONAL LEAGUE: New York Rangers
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Stars 6, Chicago Black Hawles 5. TENNIS

NASHVILLE (Tennessee): Ginny bournesseet: Worsen's singles: First nound. (US unless states): J. Klisch bi. S. Adder, 7-5. 6-2; M. Callole, 17-b. bi. S. Sermonds (Italy), 6-3, 6-4; P. Teaguarden bt. B. Gartist, 4-6, 7-6, 7-5; A. Cacchiel (Italy), b. J. Sermonds (Italy), 6-3, 6-4; P. Cacchiel (Italy), b. J. Sermonds, 7-7, 6-0, 6-1.

# **ATHLETICS**

# Sharp: second best man proposing a leap year

As Britain's No 2 sprinter, Cameron Sharp must find it especially galling that the No 1 is also a Scot - Allan Wells, the Olympic 100 metres champion. Sharp would not mind the harder work in order to catch and pass Wells, if only he could steer clear of

accidents.
Sharp has recently shed a surgical collar - the result of someone running into the back of his car just before a Christmas holiday in Portugal - and hopes to start his Olympic year's competition with a 60 metres at the Cosford Games on Saturday. But that depends on a delayed tryout indoors at Meadowbank Stadium in Edinburgh today

and on the weather. "I took off the collar on the day I left for Portugal but I packed it, just in case," Sharp said yesterday. "I got a bit of muscle spasm afterwar but my physio said it should be allright. I shall know better after a trip to Meadowbank tomorrow. I couldn't get in today because of the pro athletics.

Meadowbank is dangerous for sprinters like Sharp on the first two days of January. The Powderhall Handicaps, the traditional New Year professional races, were held there yesterday and on Monday.
And despite Sharp's side of the sport, international athletics, being professional at the top in all but name, there are still wary officials "tainting" charges of amateurs by

the pros.

Meadowbank is the only place where Sharp can train indoors in Scotland "and that's on the concourse under the main stand," he says. Wells, who lived in Edinburgh, was driven away to the warmer climes of Surrey two years ago. Sharp has to drive the 40 miles to Meadowbank from his home on the outskirts of Glasgow.

But all the indications are that

earner ne nao oeen even raster, winning his semi-final in 10.75 seconds in apalling conditions with whirling snowflakes. His form suggests that he is not far off international class. He is only the second foreigner to win the 114-year-old race, the first being Eric Cumming, of Australia. in 1952. In second place yesterday Donaldson, of Ashington.

Sharp, despite the car accident, is

# FOR THE RECORD

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FOOTBALL

# BADMINTON Top names

# omitted from teams

By Richard Eaton

Kevin Jolly, the 1982 national champion, and Sally Podger, joint England No. 1 in 1982, are both omitted from the England teams for the Thomas Cup and the Uber Cup competitions in Ostend next month. Jolly, who was unable to defend his national title last month because of a tendon injury, is now lit again. but cannot restart competitive play until the Scottish Open championships begin towards the end of the month and is therefore seriously lacking in match practice. Mrs Podger, despite her victory over Helen Troke, the England Nol. in the Famous Grouse Masters, is omitted because of her disappointing results throughout the rest of the

England's singles players are, therefore, likely to be Steve Baddeley, Nick Yates and either Steve Butler of Andy Goode, and Karen Beckman, Jane Webster and Miss Troke. The woman have to win a group containing Germany. Scotland and Belgium in order to qualify for the finals in Kuala Lumpur in May.

The men, however, have a harder task. They must win group A containing Uganda. Austria and Norway and then beat the winners of group B, probably Sweden ENGLAND TEAMS: Thomas Cup: Baddeley (Susser), Yates (Kertl, M Dew (Middlesex), M Tredgett (Gloucestershre), D Bridge (Surrey), N Tier (Hampshire), Butler (Warwickshre), Goode (Fiertfordshre), Uber Cup: Mrs G Gills, (Hertfordshre), Mrs Becmen (Surrey), Mrs B Sutton (Statifordshire), Miss Webster (Soffotk), Miss Tible (Hampshire), Mrs E (Hertfordshire), Mrs E (Hertfo

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# Chance for Fouz

Rome (AP) - Patrizio Oliva, of Italy, will put his European superlightweight boxing title at stake aginst Gomez Fouz, of Spain, on March 17 in San Giuseppe Vesuviano, near Naples.

Miss Troke (Hampshire), Miss F Elliott (Surrey), Miss G Gowers (Sursey)

# **SNOW REPORTS**

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# RACING: RICH PICKINGS AT CHELTENHAM FOR FRUITERER, MILKMEN AND PUBLICANS Mossmorran syndicate celebrate ag

By Michael Phillips, Racing Correspondent

The supremely sporting side of National Hunt racing was typified at Cheltenham yesterday by Mossmoran's victory in the Ernest Robinson Handicap Hurdle. The horse is owned by a syndicate of six from co Durham, comprising three milkmen, two publicans and one fruiterer and they were all there in force yesterday to cheer on their pride and joy, having worked for most of the night in order to get their duties done in order to get their duties done in time to catch the earliest possible train to the races.

What is more they put their money where their month was for the second time in a week They did even better in the ring at Wetherby, the previous Tuesday, when they were returned prices between 100-30 who was on hand to receive the and 9-2 to their money. With that ammunition to play with they went to war again in a fearless manner yesterday but this time they only got prices ranging between 11-8 against and 6-5 on. Not that that worried them one iota. Just to be there in the middle of Cheltenham's hallowed winners' circle was the experience

ham Bradley sitting as quiet as a on Cima, at one another's mouse throughout yesterday's race they never have had a moment's anxiety. As a result they are already looking forward to making the return journey to Cheltenham in March for the Waterford Crystal States & Livella And they tal Stayers' Hurdle. And there would be no more popular result than if Mossmorran were

to win again. The betting before the Food Brokers Alma Confectionery Novices Steeplechase suggested another Northern victory but it was not to be because A kinsman hit the top of the second last fence when along-Coppers and paid the full

penalty for his carelessness. Whether he would have won

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Corbiere hero of lat years's National. Both are by Harwell and out of a mare by that influential jumping stallion

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of a lifetime according to the syndicate leader. Derek Robinson.

With the state of the capetients with the syndicate leader. Derek to the Ferrero Rocher Hurdle. With John Francome, on Robin to the Ferrero Rocher Hurdle. With that stylish rider Gra- Wonder, and Sam Morshead, throats on the run-in this was just the sort of spectacle to set the heart beating and the blood tively with great force across Prestbury Park against the cold, bleak backcloth of Cleeve Hill. Revelling in the softer conunderfoot Robin Wonder found a bit extra in the closing stages to keep Cima at

Earlier in the day Francome finish, on a tired horse, he was by Vendevar who is on a ad also looked like winning the able to get the better of winning crest. of the way on Emperor Charles. But eventually they were worn down on that long torturous



cester hinges on a stewards' series staged at Ascot later this inspection at 7.30 this morning month, in the Kincaidston as snow was lying on the course Novices Steeplechase. With his Whether he would have won but for that mistake is a moot point because Two Coppers was certainly going every bit as well.

United the winning worm on user long to the winning post by young Mark Perrett and Baz Bombati. It says a lot for the go-ahead the Well To Do Challenge Cup should be won

At Ayr Visconti will have his And so to today's two warm-up race for the final of the programmes. The one at Tow- Embassy Premier Steeplechase customary attention to detail his trainer Michael Dickinson has deliberately chosen what

Visconti can regair dence following t wracking experience November when he in the race won Tsarevich. Before the had won very easily castle and Bangor and

# Towcester

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DOME SUE (D) (Nestal-Woods Ltd) S Mellor 8-10-0
BAZZ'S BOY (D) (Mrs B Warring) Mrs B Warning M 7-2 The Diplomat, 4 Suez, 11-2 Mossat, Ridgefield, 13-2 Double Discount, 8 Vodkarini, 12 Cettic State, 16 others. French mount a grand

MULBERRY WALK (P Connors) P Connors 8-10-7 GENERAL PEARL (Mrs.) Fraser) Mrs. 1Fraser 9-10-7 NOMADIC STAR (F Ford) M Chapman 8-10-7 BLACK CLOUD (Mrs. A Dower) 8 Thorner 9-10-7 TIPTOE LOVER (Mrs. P Cospany) Mrs. P-Cosorans 8-10

3.30 BROADWATER HURDLE (handicap: £1,121: 2m) (20)

1 P-84190 PALATINATE (D) (Capt J MacDonald-B

challenge for National

Mullacurry will make his second appearance in the National. "He ran in the race two years ago, and his rider broke a leather going to the first", said Fitzgerald.

Roger Grand, a leading French amateur jockey and trainer, has brought his prolific chasing winner Jivago de Newy to Eagland to be prepared for the Grand National in March. The horse joined Oxfordshire trainer John Webber two weeks ago and runs at Sandown on Saturday in the £4.000 Express Saturday in the £4,000 Express

Saturday in the £4,000 Express
Chase.

Monsieur Grand cannot speak
English, so Webber converses with
him by way of sign language and
detailed drawings. Webber said: "I
passed O level French, but only by
cribbing from a friend, so basically
it's down to drawings on the dinner
table. It seems to working well.
However, we are racing against time.
I have got to get three races into the
horse before the end of January to
get a handicap rating for the
National, Otherwise it's automatic
top weight. Jivago de Neuvy is a nice Bright Sherriff, made 13-8 on favourite to maintain the one hundred per cent training record of champion trainer Michael Dickinson this year, faded rapidly sweeping into the straight and trailed in fifth, a dismal 25 lengths behind Colonel Rose.

National, Otherwise it's automatic top weight. Jivago de Neuvy is a nice horse who has done very well in France so the Liverpool fences should hold not terrors for kim."

Seagram, the National sponsors, have put together a unique insurance scheme for all riders taking part in this year's race on March 31. Anyone injured in the event and as a result mable to ride again this season will receive £1,000. That sum will be increased by a further £5,000 if the jockey is also mable to ride the following season.

• Jimmy Fitzgerald, the Malton trainer, decided to saddle Mulla-curry for the Grand National after the 12-year-old put up a game

Goldspun P Scudamore(a TOTE: Win: 23.88. Piaces: 22.00, 22.7 24.90. CSP: £12.44. D Esworth Fordingbridge. Nk. 71. Path of Puace (7-2 6 ran. Nt: No Bombe. 215 FOOD SROKERS HAPPY NEW CHASE (Handcap: 25.395\* 4m)

TOTE: Win: £8.70. Places: £2.20, £1.60, £2.90. DP. £18.40. CSF: £38.15. D Baronset Kingstridge, ¾ 1, 4. Destiny Bay (8-2 fay) eb. 14 ran, 70to Double: £15.485. Trable: £15.70. Placapot: £73.75. Jackpot: not won.

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Lord Kilmany, a well-known figure at Scottish meetings, got off the mark for the season in the Hurlford Novice Handicap Chase when Belcraig whom he owns, bred and trains, sprang a 25-1 surprise. and trains, sprang a 25-1 surprise. Michael Dickinson's Pacifist has been strongly backed with the tote for the Trimuph Hurdle and is now 20-1 from 33-1. Valled City 8 Storey (11-4 ji-fay) 2 Ofive Press Mr A Dudgeon (3-1) 3 20 TOTE Wht: 223.20 Places: E5.10, £1.90 DE 245.61 CSF: £31.02 Lord (Mirany) at Cuper. 11/4, 21/5. Chell Marcel (11-4 ji-fay) 4th. 8 ran.

GOLDNEL ROSE b g by Fez - Rose Mariot (7 Golds) 7-11-3 Mr J M Dun (5-1 (if Golde) 7-11-3 s sg rez - Rose Mariot -Pebble Island. Mr JM Qun (5-1) 1 Pebble Island. N Doughty (7-1) 2 Victory Boy B Storey (20-1) 3 TOTE: Wir: 54,70. Piacear: 23-0, 52,70. DP: 28. Clamp Chicken (9-1) 4th. Bright Sherriff 8-13 fate, 5 rgn.

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Dun Fair (K McDonald 8-11-10)
Adam Craig M Doughy (12-1) 1
Adam Craig M Dwyer (4-1) 2
Mr Sumbird S Crarizon (8-4 key 3 TOTE: Whr. £10.90. Places: £3.20. £1.80. DF: £19.10. CSF: £49.13. G Richards at Greystoks. 2. 3t. Sebome Record (8-1) 4th. 6 ran.

2.15 McALPIME CHALLERGE CLP CHASE
Clandicap: (2.397: 2m 4f)
MULLACURRY bir g by Baily Joy - Dale Way
(J Baanson) 12-11-7 ... M Dayer (11-0) 1
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TOTAL May 20 00 100 100 100 100 100 100 TOTE: Win: \$3.90. Places: \$2.00. \$2.00. DF: \$9.20. CSP: \$21.25. J Fitzgerald at Malton. 71, 45.6 fain.

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3.15 COYLTON HURDLE (Novices: £956: 2m 4f BROTHER GEOFFREY b g by Sheehoom – Elan Algae (G British) 5-11-13 D Wildrech (7-4 tay) 1 P Lamb(1-1) 2 TOTE: Wir: 22.50, Placaus: £1.00, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.60, £2.

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TWO COPPERS, by g. by St Grat Tipulidae (S. Hunt) S-11-0....C Brown .....Mr S Shervex TOTE: Witt: £9.60. Places: £2.20. £1 £8.60. CSF: £37.15. L Kermant at Tauri dat. A Kinsman 4-7 tav. 5 ran.

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SOLIHULL SPORT b g by Harwell - Vus (Solihuli Sports Services Ltd) 10-10-4

Hy-Ke Barton (15-2
TOTE: Win: £12.40. Places: £2.40, £3
£3.10. DF: £52.10. CSF: £96.48. The
£721.37. J Spearing at Alcester. 2 ½1.
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ran. NP: Colonal Christy, Brave Jack.
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TOTE Win: £3.80. Places: £7.0 £1.5

Colonel Rose booked a place in the final of the Haig Whisky Novices Hurdle series when landing the qualifier by two lengths from Pebbie Island. The winning trainer Tom Goldie, who lives near the course at Kilwinning, also owns and bred this seven-year-old. TOTE Wir: \$3.80. Paces: \$1.70, \$1.1 \$4.50. Dr. \$13.20. CSF: \$21.75, P.O'Connor Tebrast, \$1, 121. Oakprime (12-1) 4th. Jubie Medial 15-8 tay. 8 ran. 3.25WCODMANCOTE HURDLE (DW novices: £1,534: 2m 4f)

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"Our team is still very much in the transition stage," the captain, Clive Lloyd, said. "We are still in the process of rebuilding and trying out new players, and working very hard not to repeat the mistakes we made back in the late 1970s, when we lost caveral ton players at succe eat by them Australian

made back in the late 1970s, when we lost several top players at once and suddenly found our ranks terribly light on experience."

"The wickets in Australia are much harder and faster than in India, and our young players in particular will find it difficult to adjust to the added pace," Lloyd said. "auquestionably, that will be our most immediate problem."

GOLF

**Oosterhuis** wins at extra hole

Tucson (Reuter) - Peter Ooster-huis, of Britain, recorded a birdie on the first extra hole to defeat the the first extra hole to defeat the American. Howard Twitty, in one of the 28 first round matches contested yesterday in the maich play championship here. Most of the matches in the first event of the 1984 US tour went according to form, but Bobby Clampett and John Cook were ousted by less fancied fellow Americans.

Oosterhuis was three down to Twitty after 12 holes, but the California-based Briton won the thirteenth, fourteenth and sixteenth holes, to even the match. After they halved the next two. Oosterhuis won the contest with a 15-foot birdie putt on the first extra hole. Mike Gove defeated Clampett 3 and 2 and Barry Jaeckel beat Cook 2

TC Chen, of Taiwan, was seven down after nine holes, to the American, Mark Calcavechia, but he surged back to even the match after 18 holes, and then won of the 21st hole. Chen took three in a row, starting at the tenth, and also won the final four of regulation play.

FRST ROUND (US unless stardet): J Snead bt D Pooples. 3 and 1; C Beck bt K Green. 6 and 5: D Westring bt R Nuckolls, 4 and 2; J Fought bt J Booros, 5 and 3; J Neltond bt 7 Norrie, 3 and 2; M Hayes bt W Wood. 4 and 2; B Jaeckel bt C Bryum, 3 and 1; K Fergus bt L Lott. 1 hole: D Barr bt W Blackburn, 2 and 1; T C Chen (Telwan) bt M Cabcavecohia, 2 let; P Contentius (GB) bt Twitty, 18th; M Gove bt R Clampett, 3 and 2.

finally ripe for England's new flanker

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Simpson: unconventional path to the top

Nevertheless. Somerset want- and that can be overcome by ed him, and so did David selecting a tall flanker, he and Robinson. Simpson is adamant his club colleague John Hall that it was the influnce of Robinson, formerly a Gosforth twinkle, a useful pairing. flanker and coach to the North this season, which got him into the divisional side which played the New Zealanders at Gateshead. That in itself was the scrum, and Bath, who had attainment of an ambition: to pay against a major touring side was the cake, to score a try against them the icing.

"I knew then that I wanted to

play against the All Blacks a second time", Simpson said. But few knew better than he the difficulties in the way. It is his misfortune that, at 6ft lin, he does not fit the general concep-tion of an international No 8. the position in which Bath play

England, however, recognized his talents as a ball-player and his merits as an attacking player, not the least of which is player, not the least of which is that, at 15st 12lb he is a good deal heavier than the average flanker and that much more difficult to stop. He was chosen against New Zealand, peragainst New Zealan difficult to stop. He was chosen against New Zealand, performed exceptionally well and John Player Cup competition now has good reason to hope year and his county has reached for further caps in the inter-

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back row rather than on a flank.
He regards it as the more creative position, from where scrum half and No 8 in concert, can have a decisive effect that simpson's sort of major obstacle. can have a decisive effect upon a game. Height, he maintains, is only of importance at lineouts

might make, he suggests with a

He has been fortunate to learn his rugby with two successful sides. Gosforth, who backs sufficiently well-endowed to play an expansive game. Simpson does not claim great pace but rather the intuition to know where to go at the right

Hard-pressed

As a computer salesman for a small firm near Bristol, he is hard-pressed to find the time which rugby at the top level demands. Three days in preparation for an international represents 15 per cent of his working month; should not his employer, he suggests, receive

national championship.

Not that he is viewing a second cap as an automatic prospect: "It's some time before prospect by their part game."

The championship man for the first time in 45 years. He has second cap as an automatic inserted under anaesthetic do not feel half so bad as the first fearful impression he received. Delighted though he is to be mentioning the extent of Simrepresenting his county, Simpson, one suspects, would enjoy playing in the middle of the back row rather than an a flank

> David Hands Rugby Correspondent

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1.45 KILMARNOCK CHASE (handicap: £2,406: 3m 110yds) (5) 8-4 Cockie Strand, 5-2 Tudor Folly. 9-2 Chance Command, 8 Rad Cleric, 10 Royal Minstrel.

Ayr selections By Michael Phillips
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Pica, Leslie Kenton talks abov the latest devalor make-up and in delaying the aging proces 2.00 Crown Court. The trial of

Yvonne Breakspear continues 2.30 A Country Practice. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. 4.00 Flicks. A repeat of the programme shown at noon 4.15 Battink, Adventures of a crime-busting bat 4.20 Lune. The first episode of a children-

of-the-future serial (r). 4.50 Razzmatazz. Fun and games and pop music presented by Alastair Pitrie with Ceptain Sensible 5.15 Family Trees. The first in a new series in which Mike Smith surprises a family in the audience by taking them through their family history.

5.45 News 6.00 Thames news. 6.35 Crossroads. Sharon Metcalle leaves her job and Garv Corbett leaves Adam and Jill Chance in a marked manner. 7.00 Name That Tune. Fast moving musical quiz. . .

7.30 Coronation Street. After she receives a proposition Eisle Tanner makes a decision about her future. 8.00 This is Your Life, Eamonn

Andrews springs a surprise on another unsuspecting 8.30 Up the Elephant and Around the Castle. Part five of the comedy series about a

cockney lad who inherits his aunt's terraced house in south 9.00 The War of the Springing Tiger. The story behind the defection of 40,000 officers

and men from the Indian Army, to fight on the side of the Japanese during World War Two (see Choice). 10:00. News, 10.30 Film: Slap Shot (1977) starring Paul Newman, Michael Ontkean, Lindsay Crouse and-Strother Martin. A violent film

about the seedy side of professional ice hockey. Newman plays the player/manager of an unsuccessful ice-hockey team who learns the team is to be disbanded at the end of the asson. He signs three brutes who, by destroying the opposition physically, help the team climb the league, much to the joy of the bloodthirsty tans. Directed by George Roy

12.40 Night Thoughts from Rev Peter Lewis.



Mohan Singh, the first com-mander of the Indian National Army: ITV 9,00pm

BBC 2

SPRINGING TIGER (ITV 9.00 pm). The prime mover behind the mass describen was a former follower of Mahatma Ghandi, Subhas Chandra Bose, who, having rejected his leader's policy of non-violence, saw an opportunity to hasten India's independence. The opportunity arcse when Ghandi had him thrown out of the Congress Party. Bose formed a splinter group – not only anti-British but also pro-German and pro-Russian – and secretly visited German to seek help. This and pro-russian - and secrety visited Germany to seek help. This was readily given by Hilter and Bose recruited Indian Legion troops captured in North Africa, languishing in German prisoner-of-war camps. Meanwhile, the

The little-known and heavily censored World War Two defects by officers and men of the Indian

Army is the subject of a fascinating documentary. THE WAR OF THE SPRINGING TIGER (ITV 9.00 pm).

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Japanese had invited Captal Mohan Singh of the Indian Arraise an Indian National Army fight alongside the Japanese hid india of the British. Singh became distillusioned with the and disbanded his fonces. The turn looked for a new leader a Base was emunded from Ger turn lookes for a new leader as Bose was smuggled from Ges to Japan by submarine to help build the force and 'liberate' in The fascinating story of its fast lucidly recounted with archive interviews with six of the leads participants of the Netional Asparticipants of the National An participants of the National An including Captain Singh, still a Congress politician in the Puni and with British officials who hadeal with the treachery - or misplaced idealism

CHANNEL 4

3.05 Film: The Greatest Show on 3.20 Pline Tales of Bestrix Potter (1971) A ballet film based on Earth: (1952) starring James Stewart, Charlton Heston, Betty Hutton and Dorothy Lamour. A Cacil B. de Mille children's stories. spectscular about life under the big top. The story begins when a massive three-ring circus begins a United States nationwide tour, the tension of which become too much for

5.35 News summary with subtities. 5.40 George Orwell. This final part of the Arena do of the Arena documentary about the life and writings of George Orwell deals with the time he spent in the Habrides following the death of his wife and where he wrote Nineteen Eighty-lour, completed under much strain due to his tuberculosis. There are

contributions from, among others, Sonia Orwell, his second wife, and Richard Biair, his adopted son. The programme also includes assessments of Nineteen Eighty-four from writers Julian Symons and Tosco Fyvel, 6.30 Cartoon Two. 6.40 Film: The Supper and the

Rose (1976) starring Germa Craven and Richard Chamberlain. A lavish musical based on the story of Cinderella, with music and lyrics by the Shermans, Richard and Robert. A star-Studded cast includes Edith Evans, Margaret Lockwood, Kenneth More and Michael Hordern, Directed by Bryan

9.00 Pot Black 84 introduced by Alan Weeks. The start of the 16th series of the immensely popular shocker tournament. There is a new format this year with instead of the usual eight players competing in groups of four there are now 16 playing a knockout system. First to the table are three times wirner of the tournament, John Spencer

and Alex Higgins. 9.25 Play: Aunt Suzanne, by Michael McLaverty, Set in Belfast in the 1920s the story concerns an aunt from the country who comes to look after her nieces and nephen when their mother dies. Eventually accepted by the... children, she still has an uneasy relationship with the father. And she also has a secret ... Starring Stella McCusker as Aunt Suzanne. 10.05 Blue Tits and Bumble

introduces this programme on how, over the course of a year, landscape architect and turned his suburition Birmingham garden into an area buzzing with wildlife and full of surprises.

10.50 Newsnight. 11.35, World Darts. Tony Gubba introduces highlights from the day's quarter-final matches in the Embessy World Professional Championship. Frids at 12.15.

live of Beatrix Potter's Choreographed by Frederick Ashton and danced by nambers of the Royal Ballet led by Ashton as Mrs Tiggy-Winkle, Directed by Reginald 5.00 Madam: Checkmate The third

programme in the five-part series which studies Dame Ninetta de Valois as she prepares the Sadier's Wells Royal Ballet for a performace of Checkmate. This afternoon Dame Ninette rehearses the dancers in the first big climax of the ballet.

5.30 Making the Most Of ... A magazine programme aimed at motivating people who have a lot of leisura time. Therese Birch presents the series, first shown in November 1982. 6.00 The Abbott and Costello Show: Honeympon House. Lou is in love but the parents

of the girl of his dreams insist that he buys a house before they will consent to him arrying their daughter. Selfing his hot-rod doesn't help the finances or his

6.30 Everyone a Special Kind of Artist. The first of a five-part series that illustrates the varying functions of art; that presents artists of different backgrounds talking about the connection between their lives and their work; and to encourage viewers to discover their own artistic talents. The first subject is Handel Edwards, a South Wales plasterer who spends most of his spare time in his home workshop carving pieces of

7.00 Channel Four News includes an interview with Mrs Thateher. 7.50 Comment. A personal view of a topical matter from Ruth

mahogany.

Lister, director, Child Poverty Action Group 8.00 Brookside, New Year bonhomie doesn't last long as an argument over the wiring of Petra's arch spills out to the

Close, halting the traffic. 8.30 Priestland flight and Wrong. The final programme of his series finds Mr Priestland at the Royal Free Hospital. Hampstead, where he takes a look at medical ethics including the thorny problems

9.00 The Fer Pavilions, Part two and the sumptuous wedding caremony of the two princesses and the decadent Rana proceeds, much to Ash's somow.

10.55 Stomping at the Cat.
Performances from some of the best young entertainers on the caberet circuit. 11.30 Rafaella Carra. The singer/dancer is the guide on an all-music all-dancing tour of Mexico.

11.55 Closedown

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10.30 Morning Story: "A Walk to the
Hills' by Gwynne Bosley. Read
by John Westbrook

10.45 Dally Service, †

11.00 News; Travel; Baker's Dozen
with Richard Baker

11.48 What's In A Name? Last of sky
programmes, with Denis Owen.

12.00 PURKS IN A Name? Last of six programmes, with Danis Owen 12.00 News; You and Yours 12.27 The Magic Carpet, Seven-part dramatisation by David Bealty of the story of the R101 airship. The narrator is Conrad Phillips. Part sk (r). 112.55 Weather; Programme News.

Programme News
1.00 The World At One: News
1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping

Forecast 2.00 News, Women's Hour. The guest of the week is Dr Jane Glover, the conductor and

Glover, the conductor and musicologist, whose Orchestra series on BBC Television will be receiled with pleasure. There is also the third episode of Over the Bridge

Afternoon Theatre: French Leave, by Shirley Cookin. A comedy, based on a story by Guy de Maupassant, staming. Patsy Rowlands as the maid of all work in a family headed by the imperious Madame Caravan (Monica Grey) and her dominated husband (John Warner). Co-starring Kathleen Warner). Co-starring Kathleen

Helme, as Granny
3.47 Time Fox Verse. Fleur Adoock
presents poems about travellers
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4.00 Naws; Just After Four. The influence of the Clusicers on American cookery
4.10 Agenda 84 (news series) Future world problems (1) The Ticking debt Bomb (r)
4.40 Story Time: "The Wind in the Willows" by Kenneth Grahame (10); Read by Bernard Cribbins

BBC 1 Wales: 12.57 pm-1.00 News of Wales headlines 3.48-3.50 News of Wales headlines 5.53 Wales Today 12.00 midnight News and weather, Scotland: 10.55 pm-12.00 The United Shoelaces Show 12.55 pm-12.00 The United Shoelaces Show 12.55 pm-12.00 The Scotlish News 5.53 Scotland: Skxty Minutes 12.00 News and weather Northern Ireland: 72.57 pm-1.00 Northern Ireland News 3.48-3.50 Northern Ireland News 5.53 Scene Around Six 12.00 midnight News and weather. England: 5.53 pm Regional news magazines 12.05 am Close. 12.0 Mys You 12.4 Н at sb

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Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford); and Saint-Saens's Piano Cone No 1 (Pascal Roge,

9.00 News.

9.05 This Week's Composer: Haydn.
The String Quartet in C minor.
Op 17 No 4, the Baryton Trio No
64 in D; and the Symphony No
48 in C (Maria Theresia).

18.50 Besthoven, transc List: Peter Donottoe (piano) plays the Symph No 5.1

18.48 Brodsky Quartet a performance of Mozart's Quartet in A, K461

11.15 Middle and Late Bartock ballet music from The Miraculous Mandarin, and the Piano Core Mandarin, and the Piano Cone No 3, 1945, with Anne Fischer Iplano) and the LSO.†

(Diano) and the Loc. (12.15 Two from Concert Hell:
Margaret Marshell (soprano) and Thomas Allen (bartone) I Wolf's Hartenspeler Lieder, Manade & An Chhos: Vol ayety wolf's Harfenspieler Lieder, Mozart's An Chloe: Voi avete un cor fedele; Der Zauberer; Wolf's Spottlied: Erschaffen und Beleben; Koniglich Gebet; and Strause's Einerlet; Ich wollt' ein Strauseine beiterlet; Ich wollt' ein Strauseine beiterlet; trausslein binden; chlangande Herzen,†

1.00 News. 1.05 Minoru Miki: Works by the contemporary Japanese composer played by the Koto virtuoso Kelko Noseka, f

1.36 Matinee Musicale: the Utster Orchestra, with Brian Rayner Cook (barrione), in participances of Howard partormences of Howard
Ferguson's Overture for an
Occasion, Vaughan Williams's
Bright is the Ring of Words: The
Roadside Fire (from Songs of
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Gordon Jacob) Suite in E fact, Op
26, No 1; Finzi's Let us Garlands
brings; and Elgar's overture

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2.39 Swansea Featival Recital: by Kenneth Bowen (senor). Aller Schiller (piano) and the Delmi String Cuartet. Haydn's String Cuartet Op 54 No 2c; David Hames's Canticle No 3: Mozar's Piano Sonata in C. K 279: and Varyban Williams. 6 O

279; and Vaughan Williams's On Wenlock Edge.† 4.00 Choral Evensong: from the Abbey Church of St Mary the Virgin, Tewksbury. A live

5.08 Mainly for Pleasure: Another of Jeremy Stepmann's selections. 6.30 Debut: New series. The planist Christodoulos Georgiadis plays Haydri's Variations in Fininor; and Skalkottas's 15 Little

nations, and Suite No 3.1 7.00 Die Englische Katze: Edward Bond's satire on the English Establishment in the year 1900 or thereabouts, played out by cats, with music by Hans Werner Henze, and sung in German, A recording of the world premiere, gwen at the 1983 Schwetzingen Festival. Soloists include Martin restival. Solosts include martin Pinke and (as Torn a ficentious cat). Wolfgang Schone. With the Chorus and Orchestra of the Wurttemberg State Theatre, Stuttgart. Part one.†

8.05 Six Continents: Foreign racko broadcasts, monitored by the BBC, and introduced by lan \$.25 Die Englische Katze: the second

10.10 Mozart: the Serenade in B flat, K 361, played by the English Chamber Orchestra Wind

11.00 The Complete Webern: the Rondo for plano, Op posith; and the String Cuartet Op 28. With Bruno Centino (plano), Nona Liddes (violin), Joan Atherton (violin) Donald McVay (viola) and Christopher Van Kampen (viola)

(Cello).† 11.15 News, Until 11.18.

Radio 2

News on the hour (except \$.00 pm and \$.00; major bulletins: 7.00 am, 8.00, 1.00, 5.00 and 12.00 midnight; news, 5.00 am, 8.00, 1.00, 5.00 and 12.00 midnight; news, headines: 5.30 sm, 6.30, 7.30 and 8.30 (MF/MW). 5.00 am Colin Berry.† 7.30 Ray Moore.† 10.00 Jimmy Young.† 12.00 pm Music While You Work is played today by Syd Lawrence and his orchestra.† 12.30 Glorie Hunnifordt incl. 2.02 Sports Desk. 2.30 Ed Stewarti incl. 2.02 Sports Desk. 2.30 Ed Stewarti incl. 2.02 Sports Desk. 4.00 Dovid Hunniford incl. 4.02, 5.30 Sports Desk. 6.00 John Durnti incl. 6.45 Sport and classified results (MF only). 7.30 Jack Dorsey: Marjorie Lofthouse introduces music with a romantic mood.† 8.15 Listen to the Band: with Charlie Chester featuring the Fairey Engineering Works Band.† 3.90 The Organist Entertains: with Nigel Ogden.† 9.30 Hubert Gregg says Thanks for the Memory. 9.57 Sports Desk. 10.00 Funny You Should Ask. Comedy quiz game with Peter Jones putting the questions. Providing the snswers are Ray Cooney, Lestie Philips and the late Ben Travers (r). 18.30 Erian Matthew presents Round Midnight (stareo from midnight). 1.00 am Folk on 2 with Jim Lloyd.† 2.00-5.00 Charles Nove presents You and the Night and the Music.†

Radio 1

News on the half hour from 6.30 am unit 9.30 pm and then at 12.00 midnight (MF/MW). 6.00 em Adrian John. 7.30 Mike Read. 3.00 Simon Bates. 11.30 Mike Smith, incl 12.30 Newsbeat. 12.45 Top 40 chart. 2.00 Steve Wright. 4.30 Peter Powell, incl 5.30 Newsbeat. 5.05 Top 40 chart. 7.00 David Jensen. 10.00-12.00 am John Peel.f VHF RADIOS 1 and 2 5.00 am With Radio 2, 10.00 pm With Radio 1. 12.05-5.00 am With Radio 2.

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responsibility. Mr William Waldegrave, under secretary at the Depart-ment of the Enviorment who disclosed the payments yesterday in a letter to a Labour MP, said British Nuclear Fuels (BNFL) recognized the "possibility of a cancer being linked to radiation'

But Mr Brian Sedgemore, MP for Hackney South and Shoreditch, said that amounted to a government admission that "on the balance of probability the plant is not safe"

He expressed disbelief at government claims that no one had died from radiation. "The body count is zero, it seems, simply because liability is never admitted", he said.

Mr Waldegrave said nine claims two leukaemias and seven other cancers - had been made since BNFL took over management responsibilities in 1971. "In no case has liability been admitted", he said. "Compensation has been paid in outof-court settlments in respect of six of the nine cases".

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However, as good em-ployers, BNFL consider that they cannot ignore the possi-bility of small numbers of cases where an individual's employment with the company may have been a factor in his contracting a cancer."

BNFL had enabled some claiments' to receive compen sation even though they might not have been able to prove their case in court

But Mr Sedgemore said: "The Government's admissions constitute alarming news at a time when the Director of Public Prosecutions is considering prosecuting BNFL for breaches of safety regulations.

"So far we have been assured publicly that no one has died from radiation poisoning as a result of the development of civil nuclear power in Britain. In the light of the latest admissions this claim does not seem credible."

He also said the Government paid the compensation without going to court because it wanted to avoid a "public examination of how radiation leaks at Sellafield may have caused According to studies by cancer and leukaemia in their

# Syria frees US airman

out of Lebanon within hours if bution and that the Cabinet Mr Reagan was forced to accepted the British role prochange the course of American vided there was no unaccept-

HMS Fearless, an assault ship, is offshore and extra helicopters have been based on Cyorus for the past two months. with enough capacity to ensure that any withdrawal of the 100 British servicemen could be effected cleanly and quickly.

But Whitehall sources were at pains to emphasize that although reviews of the situation were regular, there were no plans for a withdrawal and there was no knowledge of any American plans - for the

The Prime Minister is undoubtedly concerned to give Mr Reagan maximum moral sup-port at a time of domestic political difficulty.

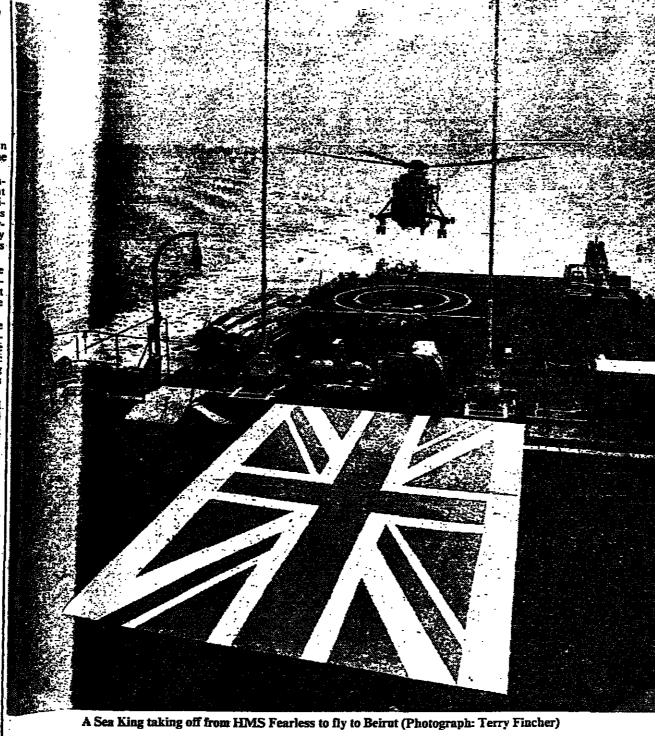
Some sources stated that the British contribution to the milti-national force was not exclusively based on an American request for support. It was pointed out that the Lebanese

appreciated the British contriable risk to the safty of the

British contingent. Meanwhile. Mr Neil Kinnock, the Labour leader, played up the mounting pressure on Mr Reagan as a means of outflanking Mrs Thatcher.

He said at Heathrow before leaving on an official visit to Greece that British troops should be withdrawn because they were targets.

In an ITN interview he said: "The view of the Pentagon and the former CIA chiefs and the American presidential candi-date. Mr Walter Mondale, as well as the French and the Italians, seems to be that no positive subscription is being made to keeping the peace; that is why we believe the British troops should be brought home.



# Back-up force for the boys in Beirut

The smart British Ferret armoured cars are a familian even popular, sight in east and set Britt, where they encounter friendly greetings from Christians and

When a British contingent of about 100 officers and men joined the multinational penekeeping force in Lebanon last February, they were regarded by many as a toka militarı ge**sture.** 

They were dwarfed by the American, Fruch and Italian contingents, which raised from 1.600 to 2.100 soliders. but the force soon lived down that tag. It

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director for slight and suspect reasons. The paper points out that early in the Reagan Administration, a Budget official wrote to Peter Bell, the foundation's President, to ask what authorise interfiled the agency's

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The Daily Nation, the Nairobi independent, commented on the hew year's appeal by President Millon Obote of Uganda for Ugandan exiles to return home:

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The American and French came under fierce attack and retalizted. The Ferrets have never been under serious attack, and the stray bullets and occasional rocket nades that have hit the British headquarters in the battleground suburb of Hadath were mostly accidental.

The British have not fired one bullet. The 74 officers and men of the 16/5th Lancers who man the armoured cars and the 41 headquarters staff are part of a formidable back-up force.

For every man in Beirut, there are dozens more ready to give immediate

Royal Navy warships, led by the assault ship Fearless, patrol the Mediterranean yet keep out of sight of the Lebanese coast,

and Sea King helicopters are ready to

evacuate the troops.

Just over 100 miles away on Cyprus, six Buccaneer strike jets are on stand-by at the RAF base at Akrotiri and can be over Beirut within 14 minutes.

A flight of Phantom fighter-bombers make continuous training flights to Cyprus, and can back up the Buccaneers from 12 Squadron and 208 Squadron who flew from their base at Lossiemouth, Scotland, to provide support.

Chinook helicopters of 7 Squadron and 18 Squadron arrived from Britain and Germany to ferry supplies to Beirut, Wessex helicopters from 84 Squadron, based in Cyprus, are there for rescues or Letter from Jerusalem

# Agony as the small men call it quits

"There is only one reason why I am going: money. The rate on bank overdrafts went up this week to 525 per cent, inflation will soon be over 200 per cent and no one is making the fat cats pay. It is us, the small men who have fought hard for our country, who are suddenly expected to tighten our belts.

The angry speaker was Maurice, a sahra, or native-born Israeli, aged 28, a supporter of the ruling rightwing Likud coalition, who is one of thousands of Jews (one official prediction at the weekend was between 50,000 and 100,000) planning to leave Israel this year, probably never to return.

Like most Israelis, Maurice is acutely aware of the stigma attached to emigration always referred to by the pejorative Hebrew word 1071da, meaning "going down" - which is why he, and all the others I spoke to on the emotive subject, refused to be identified.

Last September, Israel's tow chief rabbis ruled that to emigrate from the state, which is built on the concept of immigration (known as .4liva, or "coming up") was tanta-mount to idolatry and was only permitted in "in extreme economic difficulties, such as famine".

Maurice, who is unmarried and ons a sandwich-bar in Jerusalem, is in many ways typical of those whonow find that the strain imposed by Israel's ailing economy and the measures being taken to rescue it, are too onerous. His intention to go to South Africa or the US is a warning to the Government that many members of its main constituency, the Sephardic Jews, who put it in power, are contem-plating the ultimate social protest.

"A number of my friends are planning to get out by the summer, whatever the shame", said Maurice, whose left hand is officially described as "40 per cent disabled", the result of a grenade blast in Lebanon. He denied he was leaving for ideological reasons: "I want only one thing, the freedom to earn a decent living for hard work"

Mr Yitzhak Rabin, the former Labour Prime Minister, referred to verida as "the dropping-off of the weaklings", but recent findings have shown it is impossible to classify those leaving, under one or even two headings.

Established in 1982, after emigration the year before reached 25,900, a level not seen since the despair which gripped Israel after the 1973 war, the department has failed to persuade the Cabinet to adopt its main recommendations: special benefits for demobbed soldiers and more rental housing.

1981 was the first year in which Israelis leaving exceed-ed the number of immigrants. The balance improved subsequently, with the Jewish Agency claiming recently that figures for last year were expected to show 17,000 new arrivals, 3,000 up on 1982.

"There is no doubt, from recent inquiries that the trend to leave is on the up, though at this stage we cannot put a figure on it". Mr Friedberg said. "The chief factor is economic, with the added pull-push effect that, just as things are looking black here, they are looking better in the

Although the Government is reluctant to admit it, there is also an ideology factor, with many Israelis disturbed at what they see as the changing tace of a country become less Europeanized and more subject to religious laws.

Emigration statistics are notoriously unreliable and subject to endless political controversy - a furore caused by a 1981 report that 500,000 lisraelis were living in the US still continues.

Outside the bustling consular section of the American Embassy in Tel Aviv yester-day, most of those clutching their newly-acquired visas brushed off the suggestion that they might be going for anything more than an ex-tended holiday.

But one Tel Aviv resident. who arrived in Palestine before the foundation of the Jewish state and is now advertising his flat, told The Times:

"You can be certain that once our flat is sold, my wife and I are getting out as fast as we can. I do not have to go through that mess again at my age. In Lebanon and with the economy, Mr Begin (the former prime minister) brought the country to its knees - I am not surprised he resigned; he must have done it

Christopher Walker

# Today's events

New exhibitions

David Garland, paintings: Karir Hessenberg pots; Michael Cech, mirrors; Kathryn Ross, cars and leapots, Oxford Gallery, 23 High

Street, Oxford; Mon to Sat 10 to 5.
closed Sun (ends Feb 1).
Movement — 2nd of three
exhibitions about painting sponsored by the Arts Council, the Laing Art Gallery, Newcastle upon Tyne, Mon to Fri 10 to 5.30. Sat 10 to 4.30. Sun 2.30 to 5.30 (ends Jan 29). Light, first of three exhibitions

Arts Council, Castle Museum, Norwich: Mon to Sat 10 to 5 (ends

Street, Bath; Last chance to see

Museum closed for essential

Sainsbury's Images for Today: winners of compelition for British artists. Cartwright Hall, Lister Park, Bradford: Tues to Sun 10 to 5 (ends

Paintings by Peter Sutton: City Museum and Art Gallery. Priest-gate. Peterborough: Tues to Sat 12

4 Fabrics the head put on lots of

A cable NUM members sent

Sort of train in which to write

Gilbert White's address? (8).

20 Discuss girl coming out before

Solution of Puzzle No 16,325

Magnificent quarters for noble-

children (7).

DOCTLA (6)

a god (6).

builder (5).

ifter accident (9).

Book shelf? Right (6).

9 Might smash swindle (6). 15 Wickets taken by catches? (9).

Ride round a country (5).

# New books - biography

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Vita, the life of V. Sackville-West, by Victoria Glendinning (Weiderfield & Nicholso £12.95)

# Anniversaries

Births: James Ussher, Arch-bishop of Armagh, 1625-40, Dublin, 1581: Giovanni Pergolesi, compos-cr. Jesi, Italy, 1710: Louis Braille, Coupyray, France, 1809; Sir Isaac Pitman, Trowbridge, Wiltshire, 1813: Augustus John, Tenby, Dyfed, 1878. Deaths: Stephen Trowbridge, Wiltshire. Hales, botanist, Teddington, Mid-dlesex, 1761; Henri Bergson, philosopher, Paris, 1941; Donald

Canal Marathon The British Waterways Board has organized the first-ever Trans-Pen-nine Canal Marathon for canoes. covering a strenuous 127-mile route on the Leeds and Liverpool Canal from May 26-31. Any reasonably competent canoeist is welcome to enter, although the BWB warns that the route involves 30 portages around locks, passage through two tunnels, and ascent to and descent from a summit pound of 487ft above sea-level. Details and application forms from Gwen White, Liverpool Watersports. Centre. Inner Temple, Temple Lane. Inner Temple, Temple Lanc, Liverpool L2 SRS (tcl. 051-227 3208); or Keith Wheal, BWB, I Dock Street, P.O. Box 9, Leeds LS1 1HH (tel. 0532-436741).

Last year it was warm over me of Britain, the exception being the north and west of Scotland, where was rather dull and wet, with near just below average temperatures, t London Weather Centre says in annual weather round-up. winter was rather mild as a result an exceptionally mild Janua April saw a record rainfall London and the S and E. part of Spring that was the fourth wette this century in England and Wale Records were broken in July: th mean temperature for July: I mean temperature for July England and Wales being I highest this century, with Londo having the hottest weather sincreliable records were first kept in the control of the c

move across British Isles. followed in N by a trough of low pressure.

# 6 am to midnight

Weather

London, SE, central S, central N England, E Midlands: Mainly dry, sunny pences: wind NW moderate backing W ater max 3C (37F)

E Anglia, E England: Isolated wintry showers at first near coasts, mainly dry inland, sunny penods; wind NW fresh irdand, surniy pendos; wind ww resh decreasing gift max temp 3C (37F).

W Midlands, N Wales, NW, NE England, Lake Districts Surniy periods, isolated wintry showers becoming cloudy later; wind NW fresh or strong becoming moderate later backing SW; max temp 3C (37F).

Channel Islands, SW England, S Welses; Surniy portogs, legisted withty

max temp 3C (37F).

Channel Islands, SW England, S Wales: Surmy periods, isolated wintry showers, becoming cloudy later, wind NW tresh or strong becoming moderate, later backing W; max temp 6C (43F). Isle of Man, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, SW Scotland, Glasgow: Sunny Intervals, isolated snow showers becoming cloudy, rain or sleet later, wind NW fresh or strong decreasing moderate, backing SW; max temp 3Co (37F) becoming minder later.

Aberdeen, Moray Firth, NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Sunny intervals, isolated wintry showers, becoming cloudy; rain or sleet later; wind NW fresh or strong decreasing and backing SW moderate; max temp 2C (36F).

Central Highlande, 'Argyl, NW Scotland, Northern Ireland: Sunny intervals, isolated wintry showers, becoming cloudy: rain, preceded by snow, by evening, wind NW fresh decreasing moderate backing SW increasing strong later; max temp 3C (37F) becoming milder.

Outlook for tomorrow and Friday: Changeable, becoming milder for a time windy at times with cates in N

lme, windy at times with gales in N. SEA PASSAGES: North Sea: Wind NW

SEA PASSAGES North SEE Wind NW strong to severe gale force, sea very rough. Strait of Dover, English Channel (E): Wind strong or gale force, NW sea rough or very rough, intsh Sea, St George's Channel: Wind NW backing SW fresh or strong showers visibility moderate or good sea moderate or

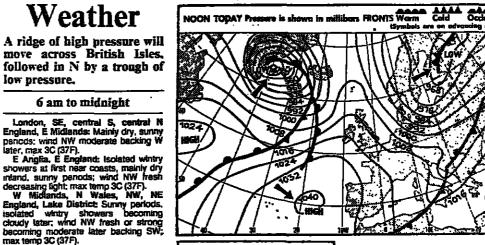
Sun sets: 4.05 pm First Quarter: January 11. Lighting-up time

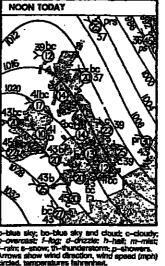
London 4.35 pm to 7.36 am Bristol 4.45 pm to 7.45 am Edinburgh 4.22 pm to 8.13 am Manchester 4.33 pm to 7.54 am Penzance 5.03 pm to 7.61 am

Yesterday: Temp: max 8 am to 8 pm, 7C (45F): roin 6 pm to 6 am, 4C (35F), Humidin; 6 pm, 67 per cent. Rain. 24Hr to 6 pm, 0.09m. Sun: 24hr to 6 pm, 2.1hr Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 999 millioars, rising.

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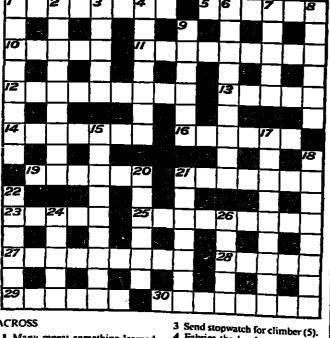


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# about painting sponsored by the 105 (ends Sat). The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,326



- ACROSS # Many repeat something learned
- 5 Slave girl with a number on back 10 Fish a sort of ray? That's about
- right (5). 11 Pre-eminent business-men give main direction (9).
- 12 A past confession of industrial action inspired by fear (3-6). 13 Quick look for beheading

weapon (5).

- 14 Love Douro's blend fragrant 16 Well-content to be in this craft?
- 22 Very big bloomer when naming "-- to have a battle" (Carroll) 24 Award given by Fingal O'Flaher-21 Broke leg once, in Scotland (7).
- 23 Beast reluctant to follow direction (5).
- 25 Money taken by lake restaurant
- 27 Told military group was of importance (9). 28 Standing order given to em-

ployed, perhaps (5). 29 Accent appears very foreign on

board? (6).

### 30 Indicate entering document as planned (8). DOWN

I Barker is in Canada (8) Most egotistical number in a musical? (5,4).



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The Literary Editor's selection of autobiography and biography published during the

A Variety of Lives, a Market New York (Constable, £9.95)

A Portrait of Charles Lamb, by David Cecil (Constable, £9.95)

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Thomas Mann Diaries, 1918-1939, selected and foreword by Hermann Kenster (Andre Deutsch, £16.95)
Vits, the life of V. Sackvilla, West, by Victoria Glordington (Weidenfeld & Michalana)

Calibration of Victorian Home Life.
Portsmouth City Museum and Art
Caller. Museum Road. Old Paismenth: Mon to Sun 10.30 to 5.30 lends Jan 26).

The Reagan Administration's effort to wreck a small but esteemed nonpartisan operation in Latin Amenca process how desperately it profess doctrinal purity to effective policy, the New York Times says. The Inter-American Foundation has been a highly useful aid agency whose more than the professional transfer was set to the professional transfer.

Campbell, one-time holder of speed records on land (403.1 mph in July 1964) and water (202.32 mph in July 1955, raised to 276.33 mph in December 1964); killed on Coniston Water, 1967.

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# Roads

Loudon and South-east: A13: Single lane traffic between Stanford le Hope and junction with A128, at Orsett. Essex: congestion at peal

Midlands: A34: Contraflow on Stone-Newcastle road at Stongford, Staffordshire. A456: Roadworks perween Hagley and Halesowen leading to lane restrictions and closures. A429: Roadworks between Wellsbourne and Stow at Halford.

Warwickshire. Wales and West: M4: Lane closures at junction 32 (Cardiff) and junction 34 (Liantrisant); delays. A38: Eastbound carriageway closed cast of Lee Mill, on Ivybridge to Plymouth road. A38: Traffic restrictions in West Street, Bed-

ninster, Bristol: North: A66: Single-lane traffic, temporary signals on bridge at Eden Lodge. Kirkby Thore. Cumbria. A645: Traffic lights, reconstruction at Kellingley. A61: Resurfacing work along Barnsley Road nr Wakefield, West Yorks. Scotland: A92: Single lane traffic, lights north of Barry. A72: Single lane traffic with lights west of A703

southbound carriageway, between Forth road bridge and junction I of Information supplied by AA.

unction at Peebles. A90: Lane closures on outside lane of

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